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HERMAN WILLIAM

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Sincerely yours,



Chief

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT _____ BAARSLAG, KARL HERMAN WILLIAM

FILE # _____ 100-27055

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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April 18, 1941

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
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Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Carson
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. P. E. FOXWORTH

Lieutenant Karl Baarslag, a Naval Reserve Officer in the Communications Volunteer Section, assigned to the Seventh Naval District, called at my office after having spoken with Mr. Nichols.

Lieutenant Baarslag is the Chairman of the A. F. of L. Union for Ship Radio Operators. He has contacted the Bureau previously and furnished information concerning Communists in the maritime industry, particularly radio operators. Lieutenant Baarslag told me that his purpose in calling at the Bureau was to present a problem which he had and request that the Bureau assist him if possible.

He stated that he had recently received orders from the Navy that he should report for assignment to duty with the Atlantic fleet. Lieutenant Baarslag stated that this assignment seemed to him to be a rather illogical move on the part of the Navy Department inasmuch as he is a communications officer, has extensive contacts along both the East and West Coasts and is controlling the Union of Radio Operators in which there are at present about 800 men.

He expressed the opinion that he could be of considerably more assistance to the nation if he were assigned to duty here in the United States than he could be on some destroyer in the Red Sea or off the coast of Brazil. He told me that he has for years been combating Communism in the maritime unions and that it was his desire to remain at his present post so that he could continue this fight. He said that his Union is 100% American and that he has a standing offer of \$50.00 for anyone who can find a Communist in his Union.

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It seems that Lieutenant Baarslag feels that if the Bureau were to go to bat for him, he might be transferred from the Communications Section to Naval Intelligence. He told me that he did not expect the Bureau to make any recommendations or any requests of the Navy Department, but that if we simply stated the plain truth to someone in the Navy that Lieutenant Baarslag had given us information in the past and was in a position to furnish information in the future concerning possible subversive activities in the maritime industry, this was all he expected.

I told him that I would refer the matter and that possibly it might be well for him to speak to someone in the Navy about it and that if any inquiries were made of the Bureau, we would, of course, report the facts concerning any assistance that he had rendered us. Lieutenant Baarslag has furnished some information to the Bureau in connection with subversive activities on the waterfront and I believe that he is in an ideal position to obtain and furnish additional information. I believe he would be a valuable informant if properly developed.

Lieutenant Baarslag in his conversation around the specific point mentioned above, made a number of statements which I think are interesting. For one thing, he told me that the Navy in its present endeavor to secure additional personnel is putting "a lot of square pegs in round holes". He told me that a personal friend of his who has spent his entire life in radio communication work in connection with aviation and who has for the past several years been chief radio man at a large airport, was taken into the Navy and in spite of the fact that the Navy is sorely in need of trained and experienced personnel of this type, this man was assigned to duty on a cruiser in the Pacific fleet. Baarslag stated that this was merely one of a number of instances that he knew of where trained, experienced personnel needed in the Navy were being taken in and placed in other jobs for which they have no experience or training.

Lieutenant Baarslag stated that he had been requested by the Federal Communications Commission to gather for that Commission information concerning Communist radio operators on board ship. He said that he had a card index of such persons which he maintained in New York City and that he was going to prepare for the F.C.C. a list of Communists in the maritime industry. I told him that we would be interested in receiving a copy of this list when he prepared it and he stated that it was his intention to furnish us with all of the information which he has as he feels that it is perhaps the most authoritative collection of this type of material in the United States.

He then mentioned that he was going to the F.C.C. to look around and see if he could satisfy himself that there was someone there that it was safe for him to deal with. He told me that he had information to the effect that there were a number of Communists in the F.C.C. and that he did not relish the idea of dealing promiscuously with anyone in that organization when he might, in fact, be dealing with "one of Stalin's boys".

He told me that [REDACTED]

b7c He told me that he thought the F.B.I. ought to talk with [REDACTED] because, according to Baarslag, this man has a lot of information and is reliable.

b7c You will recall that [REDACTED] mentioned to Mr. Nichols the possibility of our interviewing [REDACTED] and that arrangements are being made for the Washington Field Office to interview him. I think it might be well to get around to the matter mentioned above during the interview [REDACTED]

Lieutenant Baarslag, as I have stated above, is in my opinion a very fine potential source of information concerning subversive activities in the maritime industry. He is a fine looking man and is a smooth conversationalist

and I can readily understand how he might obtain the various types of information which he says he has. He was formerly connected with the Radio Telegraphers Association which developed into the American Communications Association, and this organization at the present time is very Communistic. Baarslag claims to have left the organization because of the development of this Communist connection.

He also told me that he personally made [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED]
still considered as the directing force in that organization along with various other maritime outfits. Baarslag said that some years ago he took [REDACTED] off a ship and made him his candidate in an election of officers in the Radio Telegraphers Association. He said that the other candidates in this election were all Communists and it was his strategy to get some seaman with a good personality whose record was clear to run against these Communists.

b7c He selected [REDACTED] and ~~served~~^{survived} the election in his favor. [REDACTED]

Baarslag, from his conversation at least, gives the impression of being intensely interested in combating Communism wherever he can find it. Whether this is just a front, I do not know. In any event, he made numerous statements to me with respect to his disgust with the manner in which the Communist Party has infiltrated into labor unions and governmental agencies. This attitude should make it easy for us to develop Baarslag as a worthwhile informant in the event he is not placed on sea duty by the Navy.

Baarslag said that his home address is 970 Southwest 10th Street, Miami, Florida.

Respectfully,

R. P. Kramer
R. P. Kramer

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

1300 Biscayne Building
Miami, Florida

May 5, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: KARL BAARSLAG,
Commercial Telegraphers' Union
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 26, 1941 wherein it is requested that the Miami Field Division contact Mr. KARL BAARSLAG, head of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, who resides at 970 S. W. 10th Street, Miami, Florida, for the purpose of arranging an interview with Mr. BAARSLAG for Mr. K. R. McINTIRE at the Bureau on Mr. BAARSLAG's next trip to Washington, D. C.

The residence of Mr. BAARSLAG was telephonically contacted for the purpose of arranging an interview, whereupon the maid advised that Mr. BAARSLAG was in New York City on business and was not expected to return for at least one week or ten days. She further advised that Mr. BAARSLAG could be reached in New York City

through Post Office Box 503, Brooklyn, New York.

In view of the fact that Mr. BAARSLAG was presently in New York and no doubt would pass through Washington, D. C. on his return trip to Miami, Florida, it was deemed advisable to have the New York Field Office contact Mr. BAARSLAG for the purpose of arranging the interview between him and Mr. McINTIRE. The address furnished by Mr. BAARSLAG's maid was forwarded to the New York Field Division by teletype dated April 29, 1941, with the request that the New York

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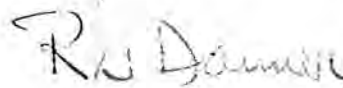
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Field Office contact Mr. BAARSLAG and arrange the interview requested by the Bureau.

There being no further investigation to be conducted in the Miami Field Division, this case is being considered closed with this letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. G. Danner". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

R. G. DANNER
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
4058 United States Court House
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

December 24, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: ⁰ KARL BAARSLAG
AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION
INTERNAL SECURITY

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the telephone call last night of Assistant Director L. B. NICHOLS, the files of this Office were searched in an effort to secure all material loaned to this Office by KARL BAARSLAG in connection with the American Communications Association and the National Maritime Union, so that this material could be returned to him.

No such data is in the possession of this Office, other than the paper bound publication entitled "ON THE ROAD TO INSURRECTION" by NIKOLAI LENIN.

^{b7c} Telephonic contact was had with Special Agent [redacted] at the New York City Office, who advised that on the day BAARSLAG had called at the Philadelphia Office he had left the aforementioned book and a small quantity of material requesting that this latter material be returned to him as soon as possible leaving a stamped self-addressed envelope therefor. In accordance with this request all of the material left by him other than the book by LENIN was mailed to him in his own self-addressed envelope on the same day that he had left it at the Philadelphia Office.

The book by LENIN is being transmitted herewith, so that it may be returned to BAARSLAG.

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Very truly yours

J. F. SEARS

Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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December 17, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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Mr. Nichols _____
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With reference to the attached letters from Lt. Karl Baarslag, you are advised that he was one of the founders and organizers of the American Communications Union of the American Federation of Labor. He is very anti-Communist and because of that was ousted from his post some years ago.

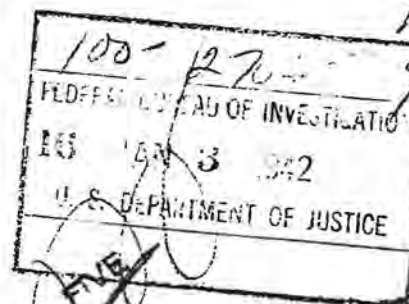
He has a wealth of information on the American Communications Union and has been instrumental in being of great assistance in the past. On November 11, 1941, he wrote complaining that Agent [redacted] whom he had spent several hours furnishing background information to had been transferred and he expressed disappointment in having to start in again with a new agent. [redacted] had been transferred to New York and, for your information, [redacted] later submitted an excellent report based upon the information Baarslag had furnished him. When this came up we told SAC Sears in Philadelphia to contact him and he apparently is now in a satisfactory state of mind, although he does state that he has instructions from the Navy Department.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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July 12, 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

KARL BAARSLAG

On the afternoon of July 10, 1945, Lieutenant Commander Karl H. W. Baarslag, USNR, stopped in at my office and spoke with [REDACTED] leaving with her a German battle flag which he said was from the Nazi heavy cruiser Admiral Hipper, and a German Mauser automatic pistol. He asked that Mr. Hoover take his choice of these gifts and that I should be given the other item.

Commander Baarslag advised that he was going to enter a hospital on July 20 for treatment of a leg injury and in the meantime his address would be 84 Roxbury Road, Garden City, New York, telephone Garden City 7045.

Files reflect that Commander Baarslag was one of the founders and organizers of the American Communications Union of the American Federation of Labor. He is very anti-communistic and because of that was ousted from this post some years ago. He has a wealth of information on Communistic activities in the communications field and he has been of great assistance to the Bureau in the past in these matters. Mr. K. R. McIntire formerly had numerous contacts with Commander Baarslag as did Special Agent [REDACTED] of the New York Office.

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Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

Mr. Hoover returned gun and flag to Mr. Nichols' office, to be held for Mr. Nichols to take his choice. 7-13-45 hcb

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Re: KARL BAARSLAG (100-27055)

This testimony released to the public on Aug. 6, 1951. See review of same in memo from Laughlin to Ladd dated 8-25-51 entitled: "Communist Infiltration Into American Communications Assn, (ACA) IS-C" (100-118)

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OF THE INTERNAL SECURITY ACT AND OTHER
INTERNAL SECURITY LAWS

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

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**PROGRESS REPORT TO SENATE INTERNAL SECURITY
SUBCOMMITTEE FROM SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATING
SUBVERSIVE INFILTRATION IN THE TELEGRAPH
INDUSTRY**

Pursuant to the direction of the subcommittee, we have held extensive hearings in executive session respecting the American Communications Association which is presently certified by the National Labor Relations Board as the bargaining agent for about 6,500 persons engaged in communications work in the employ of a number of companies engaged in the transmission of messages. These companies, all in the New York area, include Western Union, Western Union Cable, Radio Corp. of American Communications, and American District Telegraph. The complete testimony which accompanies this report develops the following points.

1. The American Communications Association was expelled from the Congress of Industrial Organizations in the spring of 1950 because "the policies and activities of the ACA are consistently directed toward the achievement of the program and the purposes of the Communist Party rather than the objectives and policies set forth in the CIO constitution."

2. Witnesses before the subcommittee identified the following officers of the American Communications Association as Communists or former Communists: Joseph P. Selly, international president; Joseph F. Kehoe, international secretary-treasurer; Dominick Panza, international vice president; Louis Siebenberg, international executive board member; Charles L. Silberman, editor of ACA News and publicity director; Alfred Doumar, secretary-treasurer, local 40; and Mrs. Mollie Townsend, recording and corresponding secretary, local 40.

Each of the foregoing officers testified before the subcommittee in response to a subpoena, but as the testimony shows, all declined to answer questions with respect to Communist affiliations or activities.

3. The testimony reveals that within the various installations in which the American Communications Association operates there are between 500 and 600 shop stewards who represent the association and who are under the discipline of the officials of the American Communications Association.

4. Witness Joseph T. Lenahan, who is a testing and regulating technician of the Western Union Telegraph Co., testified that technicians who are members of the American Communications Association have access to communications which are directed over lines which are used exclusively by defense organizations of the United States Government.

5. Witness Helen Yewell, a Western Union employee, testified that while she was a member of the Communist Party and a member of the American Communications Association she had seen in the course of her work as an employee of the Western Union Co. messages of Government agencies labeled restricted.

6. Several witnesses testified with respect to the potential danger to the communications facilities of the United States through sabotage and through the interception of messages.

The subcommittee recommends:

(1) That immediate attention be given to the preparation of legislation designed to preclude certification as a bargaining agent under the National Labor Relations Act, of any organization which has been found by an appropriate agency of the Government to be Communist controlled; and

(2) That a copy of these proceedings be transmitted to the Attorney General for his consideration in conjunction with prosecution for perjury in connection with the signing of non-Communist affidavits required by the Labor-Management Relations Act of 1947 by those officers named as Communists by witnesses before the subcommittee.

WILLIS SMITH, *Chairman.*

PAT McCARRAN.

WILLIAM E. JENNER.

SUBVERSIVE INFILTRATION IN THE TELEGRAPH INDUSTRY

MONDAY, MAY 14, 1951

UNITED STATES SENATE,
SUBCOMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE ADMINIS-
TRATION OF THE INTERNAL SECURITY ACT AND OTHER
INTERNAL SECURITY LAWS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,
Washington, D. C.

The subcommittee met at 2 p. m., pursuant to call, in room 424, Senate Office Building, Hon. William E. Jenner presiding.

Present: Senator Jenner.

Present also: Richard Arens, director of the subcommittee; Frank W. Schroeder, professional staff member; Mitchel M. Carter, Edward R. Duffy, and Donald D. Connors, Jr., investigators.

Senator JENNER. The committee will come to order.

Mr. Karl Baarslag is the witness this afternoon.

Will you hold up your right hand and be sworn?

Do you swear that the testimony you shall give in this hearing will be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I do.

TESTIMONY OF KARL BAARSLAG, RESEARCH SPECIALIST, NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, THE AMERICAN LEGION

Mr. ARENS. Mr. Baarslag, will you kindly identify yourself by occupation and residence?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I am research specialist for the national headquarters of the American Legion.

I live in Silver Spring, Md. My office is in Washington, D. C., at the national headquarters of the American Legion.

Mr. ARENS. How long have you been so employed, Mr. Baarslag?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I have been with the American Legion in that same capacity for the past 4 years.

Mr. ARENS. What was your employment prior to that time?

Mr. BAARSLAG. Prior to that time, I was briefly self-employed in a news-letter service for about a year, and prior to that I was a lieutenant commander in the naval intelligence for 5 years.

Mr. ARENS. Where were you educated, Mr. Baarslag?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., and attended Central High School there until World War I, when I went to sea in the merchant marine.

I have no other formal education beyond that.

Mr. ARENS. What was your occupation after you became disassociated from the merchant marine?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I worked in the Brooklyn post office from 1920 to 1924, and from 1924 to 1939 I went to sea in varying capacities, as a seaman, oiler, radio operator, and sometimes as a mate, deck officer.

Mr. ARENS. Then what employment did you have succeeding the employment in 1939?

Mr. BAARSLAG. From 1939 until the time I was called on active duty with the Navy, on June 6, 1941, I was self-employed as a writer in Florida.

Mr. ARENS. Do you have information respecting the American Radio Association, formed in August 1931?

Mr. BAARSLAG. Yes.

Such information as I have is, as you understand, limited to my own—I take it that what you want is personal observation and knowledge, and not hearsay.

Mr. ARENS. Yes, sir.

Mr. BAARSLAG. From the spring of 1932 to the fall of 1936, as a member of that union I was naturally very much interested in it, and I was also exceedingly fortunate in being employed during those years on a yacht that laid up every summer for 6 months in Long Island.

This enabled me to attend every union meeting of my union during the summers of 1933, 1934, and most of 1935.

Mr. ARENS. Mr. Baarslag, would you just, at your own pace, give us a running commentary, on the basis of your background and experience and information, as to the history and organization of the American Radio Association?

Mr. BAARSLAG. The American Radio Association was founded by a man presently still in the American merchant marine, by the name of James Delaney.

Delaney was a Navy radio operator, a veteran of World War I. My information is that he used \$800 of his World War I bonus money, plus such contributions as he could get from a few of the rest of us, to found the ARA, the American Radio Association, in his hotel room on August 17, 1931—the Monterey Hotel in New York City.

Mr. ARENS. Would you just pause there a moment while I ask you a few questions about the formation of the American Radio Association?

Who all were in the association at the formation of the organization?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I wrote Delaney a letter, which I have somewhere in my files, about 1938 or 1939, to clarify precisely the question: Were there any Communists present at the very founding meeting in his hotel room on the date already given.

I have that letter, and Delaney, at that time, supplied me with a list of names. It was his recollection that in addition to himself there were 15 other people present.

Would you like to have all of those names, or only those that later on came under suspicion?

Mr. ARENS. I would prefer that you put all the names in the record.

Mr. BAARSLAG. Sam Christie, since disappeared.

John P. Hall, Kenneth Peterson, deceased, Fred Gritzener, Harry Kay, Herman Michaelson, David Cintron, Fred M. Howe, Edwin C. Ward, Harry Gordon, Charles de la Garza, Willie Eppler, Willard Bliss, Joseph Belleza.

That is 14. The fifteenth man Delaney could not recall his name, so there was a fifteenth man present but we don't know who it was historically.

Mr. ARENS. May I inquire as to the membership immediately after the formation of the organization? How many members did it have?

Mr. BAARSLAG. It grew rather slowly the first year because, you understand, there is only one, and in most cases, on passenger ships, two operators on a ship.

I would say that from August 1931, my guess would be that by the fall of 1932, when I used to go to the union, that it had gotten to about 300, or to certainly not over 350 members.

Mr. ARENS. Who was eligible for membership?

Mr. BAARSLAG. Anybody holding a valid commercial radio telegrapher's license, first or second class.

Mr. ARENS. Just what do you mean by a radio telegrapher?

Mr. BAARSLAG. A radio telegrapher is a type of license issued by the Federal Communications Commission that permits you to operate unlimited any radio telegraph apparatus, either ashore or afloat, on any sized tonnage.

You would require, of course, a different type license to operate a telephone set in a broadcasting station, or what is known as a radio broadcaster.

Mr. ARENS. Am I correct in my impression of your testimony so far that the American Radio Association was founded as an association of radio operators on board vessels?

Mr. BAARSLAG. Yes. Every one of those men was what we call a seagoing operator, commercial operator. I don't think any of these people were employed ashore.

Yes; one of them was. I will take that back. Sam Christie was an official of the Radio Corp. of America. But he had a commercial license and did go to sea. They were all seagoing radiomen, if that is the point you want to bring out.

Mr. ARENS. Yes; that is the point I want to bring out at the moment.

Mr. BAARSLAG. Of the initial group; yes.

Mr. ARENS. Was there a competing organization at that time, or was this the only organization in existence of any consequence of radio operators on vessels?

Mr. BAARSLAG. There was a competing organization, but I would prefer that that be gone into a little bit more carefully, because that is a recollection of 20 years ago.

Mervyn Rathborne, incidentally a witness in the Harry Bridges trial, and a party member by self-admission, had about the same time formed a commercial radiomen's protective association on the west coast, but I didn't sail on the west coast. I had no contacts out there.

As to the prior date of which arose first and who had the most members, I can't testify.

Mr. ARENS. When did you join the organization, the American Radio Association?

Mr. BAARSLAG. I sent Rathborne a \$5 contribution, for which I still have a receipt, from England, from the Isle of Wight, in August 1931, which is just about the time that the ARA was being founded in New York, without my knowledge. That was an initial dues payment to the organization.

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Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

TO : Mr. H. H. CLEGG *MC*

FROM : SAC R. B. HOOD

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

DATE: November 9, 1951

On November 6, 1951, [redacted] while discussing other matters with you and the writer stated that [redacted]

[redacted] he prepared a report on the Motion Picture Industry in view of the accusations made against members of the picture group, for he wanted to show clearly that a comparatively few number of persons in the Industry were responsible for the bad name that has been given to it insofar as subversive matters are concerned. He stated that the report was prepared for him by [redacted]

[redacted] stated there had been accusations made that certain members of the Motion Picture Industry, such as, JAMES MCGINNESS (deceased), had been unable to obtain employment since they testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee. [redacted] checked into this matter and found out that it was not true, that the people had worked substantially the same after as they had prior to their testimony. The information relative to their employment in the Industry was obtained from official records of the Motion Picture Producers Association, according to [redacted] and he had it verified in each instance. When this report was given to the State Americanism Committee of the Legion at the California Convention, the report was questioned and it was indicated that the Committee was also going to check into it for accuracy and it would be turned over to KARL BAARSLAG, who is a National Representative of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion. [redacted] obviously has no use for BAARSLAG and states that BAARSLAG was a member of the Communist Party ten years ago. Do our files confirm this?

[redacted] related that in his report he set forth information concerning various picture personalities [redacted]

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Re: Karl Baarslag
November 9, 1951
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b7c recently in Washington at the same time [redacted] was here, they discussed the Legion report and the fact that [redacted] was still interested in fighting with BAARSLAG over [redacted] report. [redacted] reportedly advised him not to carry the matter any further and to fight the Legion about it, but to go ahead and do his job and fight Communism [redacted] the Legion would take care of him insofar as that organization is concerned. [redacted] states he frankly told [redacted] that an investigation had been made concerning him. [redacted] inquired what our opinion was of BAARSLAG, and no answer was given to his question. The only time that I have ever seen BAARSLAG was at the IACP Convention in Duluth, Minnesota, several years ago.

b7c I know little about Baarslag but I do think [redacted] rather broad vindication of the motion picture industry is not justified.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: November 20, 1951

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG
(100-27055)PURPOSE:

To reply to Mr. Tolson's inquiry concerning the membership of Karl Baarslag in the Communist Party.

BACKGROUND:

On November 6, 1951, [REDACTED] in a discussion with Mr. H. H. Clegg and SAC R. B. Hood, stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] he prepared a report on the Motion Picture Industry, to show clearly that comparatively few persons in the Industry were responsible for the bad name that has been given to it, insofar as subversive matters are concerned. When this report was given to the State Americanism Committee of the Legion at the California Convention, the report was questioned and it was indicated that the Committee was also going to check into it for accuracy and it would be turned over to Karl Baarslag, a national representative of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion. [REDACTED] indicated that he had no use for Baarslag and stated that Baarslag was a member of the Communist Party ten years ago. Mr. Tolson made inquiry as to whether our files confirmed this.

INFORMATION IN BUREAU FILES:

All references in Bureau files pertaining to Karl Baarslag have been checked.

Allegations of Communist Party Membership:

In an interview at the State Department on May 29, 1941, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] reported a number of names of individuals as good sources of information regarding the maritime activities of the Communists. Among these individuals, who were also reported

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to have been members of the Communist Party but who had now dropped out, was Carl Baarslag. His address was listed as 970 Southwest Tenth Street, Miami, Florida. Baarslag was known to have lived at this address. (100-10204-2)

b7c On December 29, 1947, [redacted] informed Mr. Nichols that Karl Baarslag had a Communist Party card in 1933 and 1934 on the West Coast. According to [redacted] had this information. (101-2119-21)

Cooperation with the Bureau:

Karl Baarslag has been employed since 1947 as a Research Specialist for the National Headquarters of the American Legion in Washington, D. C. The Bureau files contain two main files concerning him, however, no investigation has been conducted by the Bureau on Baarslag and these files contain only communications in connection with his activities in combatting Communism and confidence swindlers. Baarslag has been very cooperative with the Bureau in the past in furnishing information on Communist activities during the period of 1932 to 1936, when he was associated with the ACA (American Communications Association). [redacted]

b7c [redacted] is well acquainted with Baarslag. (100-27055, 62-80437)

Karl Baarslag testified on May 14, 1951, before the McCarran Committee concerning early efforts of the Communist Party to control the ACA. This material had been previously made available to the Bureau by Baarslag. (100-118-856, 62-88217-159)

Miscellaneous:

In May, 1941, Karl Baarslag informed Mr. Nichols that he had attended the Press Club luncheon, [redacted]

b7c [redacted] Baarslag stated that [redacted] had lived with him back in 1933 and 1934 and that he considered him to be basically honest and sincere.

It is noted that [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] which includes the period
Baarslag lived with him. (65-827-64)

ACTION:

None. For your information.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: November 23, 1951

FROM : [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

Reference is made to the attached memorandum dated November 20, 1951, concerning the resolution presented to the Americanism Committee of the National Convention by [REDACTED] in October, 1949. b7c

For the record, the resolution presented by [REDACTED] was the subject of a hot fight in California State Convention before being passed. It didn't smell bad, it stunk. Baarslag didn't kill it but the Americanism Committee of the convention of which I was a member was responsible for killing the whitewash. Attachment

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KARL H. W. BAARSLAG
Born: November 25, 1900
Grand Rapids, Michigan

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A review of the records of this Bureau failed to disclose that any investigation has been conducted by the FBI of the person inquired about. It has revealed information, however, reflecting that Karl Baarslag has been employed since 1947 as a Research Specialist for the National Headquarters of the American Legion in Washington, D. C. and has been actively engaged in combatting Communism and confidence swindlers.

Allegedly he was a card-carrying member of the Communist Party in 1933 and 1934. This has not been established by independent investigation.

Baarslag, however, has been cooperative with this Bureau in furnishing information on Communist activities from 1932 to 1936.

On May 14, 1951, he testified before the McCarran Committee concerning early efforts of the Communist Party to control the American Communications Association. (100-27055)

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CARL HERMAN WILLIAM BAARSLAG -
 Born November 25, 1900
 Grand Rapids, Michigan

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Carl Herman William Baarslag
 No investigation has been conducted by the FBI pertinent to
 your inquiry concerning the above-named person.

However, a review of the files reflects that in May, 1941,
 an individual [redacted] furnished a
 representative of this Bureau a list containing the names of several
 persons who, according to this individual, were former members of
 the Communist Party and good sources of information regarding the
 maritime activities of Communists. Among the names appearing on
 this list is "Carl Baarslag, 970 Southwest 10th Street, Miami, Florida
 100-10204-2, [redacted] (X)(u)

During an interview with a representative of this Bureau,
 Carl Baarslag advised that he had "lived with" [redacted]
 and that he, Baarslag, con-
 sidered [redacted] to be basically honest and sincere.

which includes the period Baarslag had allegedly [redacted] 100-27055

In December, 1947, an informant, who is believed to be
 reliable, advised a representative of this Bureau that he had received
 information from an employee of the American Legion to the effect that
 Carl Baarslag had been a card-carrying member of the Communist Party
 on the West Coast in 1933 and 1934. 101-2110-21, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that Carl Baarslag, national representative of the American
 Legion, was a member of the Communist Party "about ten years ago."
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It is again pointed out that the above allegations regarding Baarslag were not established during the course of an independent investigation by this Bureau concerning him.

For your additional information, during the early 1940's, Baarslag furnished information to this Bureau concerning certain phases of Communist activities from 1932 to 1936.

On May 14, 1951, Baarslag testified before the "McCarran Committee" concerning early efforts of the Communist Party to control the American Communications Association. 100-270557 *(u)*

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: July 16, 1953

FROM : MR. D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

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SYNOPSIS:

On July 14, 1953, a Washington City News Service bulletin mentioned possible appointment of Baarslag as Executive Director, Senate Investigations Subcommittee. Senator Joseph McCarthy refused comment but stated Baarslag was "under consideration" for a Subcommittee post probably as Research Director. On the news bulletin you placed notation "What do we know of Baarslag? H." Karl Herman William Baarslag never investigated by Bureau. 1941 he was Chairman of the Commercial Telegraphers Union. Was also a Lieutenant in U.S. Navy Reserve, Communications Section. In 1946 he edited a news letter which informed of confidence swindles and current rackets. 1951 he was national representative of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion. During 1941 information received that Carl Baarslag, 970 Southwest 10th Street, Miami, Florida, had been a member of the Communist Party. Baarslag known to have resided at this address. In 1947 information received that Baarslag possessed a Communist Party card during 1933 and 1934 while on the west coast. Baarslag admitted to Bureau official that in 1933 and 1934 he resided with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Baarslag's Communist Party membership has never been verified or refuted. He has been very cooperative with Bureau furnishing information on Communist activities during 1932-1936. 1951 he testified before McCarran Committee concerning efforts of Communist Party to control the American Communications Association. Baarslag well acquainted with Bureau Inspector [REDACTED]. During June, 1953, Baarslag advised he was compiling a pamphlet for the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. Public source material concerning your recent speeches and interview with U.S. News and World Report furnished to Baarslag for preparation of this pamphlet.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For your information.

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Memo to the Director
from Mr. D. M. Ladd

RE: KARL BAARSLAG

DETAILS:

On July 14, 1953, a Washington City News Service bulletin mentioned the possibility of Karl Baarslag, former head of the American Legion Americanism Committee, succeeding J. B. Matthews as the Executive Director, Senate Investigations Subcommittee. Matthews recently resigned his position during a furor over his charges in a magazine article that the Protestant clergy contains thousands of Communists or Communist sympathizers. According to the news bulletin, Senator McCarthy refused to comment on whether Baarslag was being considered for the position vacated by Matthews. McCarthy did state, however, that Baarslag was "under consideration" for a Subcommittee post and added that he "thinks he will be appointed" to the job of Research Director.

On the second page of the above-mentioned news bulletin you placed the notation "What do we know of Baarslag? H."

Background Information

Karl Herman William Baarslag was born November 25, 1900, at Grand Rapids, Michigan. During 1941 he was a Lieutenant in the United States Navy Reserve attached to the Communications Section of the 7th Naval District. He was also Chairman of the Commercial Telegraphers Union, American Federation of Labor. Baarslag alleges that he was forced to resign this position due to his anti-Communist attitude. In 1946 Baarslag was the editor of the Argus Advisory Service News bulletin, Washington, D. C. As head of this service, he published a weekly news letter setting forth information concerning current rackets, gyp schemes and confidence swindles. On occasions, the Bureau furnished Baarslag information of a general nature which he used in the preparation of his news letter. (62-80437-8)

In 1951 Baarslag was the national representative of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion.

According to [REDACTED] Bureau Inspector, who is quite friendly with Baarslag, Baarslag during 1953 has been employed with [REDACTED]

b7C [REDACTED] It will be recalled that on May 22, 1953, you received an award from this group referred to as the Distinguished Service Citation.

Memo to the Director
from Mr. D. M. Ladd

RE: KARL BAARSLAG

By report dated May 22, 1953, [REDACTED]

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Allegations of Communist Party Membership

In an interview at the State Department on May 29, 1941, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] reported a number of names of individuals as good sources of information regarding the maritime activities of the Communists. Among these individuals, who were also reported to have been members of the Communist Party but who had now dropped out, was Carl Baarslag. His address was listed as 970 Southwest 10th Street, Miami, Florida. Karl Baarslag was known to have lived at this address. (100-10204-2)

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On December 29, 1947, [REDACTED] informed Mr. Nichols that Karl Baarslag had a Communist Party card in 1933 and 1934 while he was on the west coast. [REDACTED] said that this information came from [REDACTED] (101-2119-21)

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In May, 1941, Baarslag advised Mr. Nichols that he had resided with [REDACTED] Baarslag considered [REDACTED] to be basically honest and sincere.

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[REDACTED]
This period includes the period that Baarslag lived with [REDACTED] (65-827-64)

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Memo to the Director
from Mr. D. M. Ladd

RE: KARL BAARSLAG

On November 6, 1951, [REDACTED] in a discussion with Mr. H. H. Clegg and Special Agent in Charge R. B. Hood, stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] he prepared a report on the motion picture industry to show clearly that comparatively few persons in the industry were responsible for the bad name that has been given to it in so far as subversive matters are concerned. When this report was given to the State Americanism Committee of the American Legion at the California convention, the report was questioned and it was indicated that the Committee was also going to check into it for its accuracy. It would then be turned over to Karl Baarslag, a national representative of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion. [REDACTED] indicated he had no use for Baarslag and stated that Baarslag was a member of the Communist Party ten years ago. On this memorandum you made the notation "I know little about Baarslag but I do think [REDACTED] rather broad vindication of the motion picture industry is not justified. H." b7c

With regard to Baarslag's membership in the Communist Party, this information has never been verified or refuted.

Cooperation with the Bureau

Baarslag has been very cooperative with the Bureau in the past furnishing information concerning Communist activities during the period 1932 to 1936 when he was associated with the American Communications Association. (100-27055; 62-80437)

On May 14, 1951, Karl Baarslag testified before the McCarran Committee concerning early efforts of the Communist Party to control the American Communications Association. Baarslag had previously made this material available to the Bureau prior to testifying before the McCarran Committee. (100-118-856; 62-88217-159)

On June 5, 1953, Karl Baarslag visited Mr. Nichols in his office and advised that he was compiling a pamphlet for the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. This pamphlet was to go into some detail on how the Government combats Communism. Baarslag advised that the pamphlet would include references to the Bureau and investigating committees. Baarslag requested to

*Memo to the Director
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RE: KARL BAARSLAG

have your interview with the U.S. News and World Report together with copies of any recent speeches you have made which were of a public source. He intended to use this information in the compiling of his pamphlet.

Your interview with the U.S. News and World Report and copies of your speeches were furnished to him and Baarslag stated he would work up a draft which he would furnish the Bureau so that we could check it before he submits it for final approval to the All-American Conference.

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WHEN HUBERMAN FINISHED READING HIS STATEMENT, MUNDT SAID HIS TESTIMONY "HAS HELPED PROVE THE CASE OF THE COMMITTEE" THAT BOOKS "FINDING FAULT WITH THE EVERY PHASE OF AMERICAN LIFE" HAVE NO PLACE ON STATE DEPARTMENT SHELVES.

AFTER THE SUBCOMMITTEE ADJOURNED, MCCARTHY SAID BAARSLAG IS "UNDER CONSIDERATION" FOR A SUBCOMMITTEE POST, ADDING "I THINK HE WILL BE APPOINTED" TO THE JOB OF RESEARCH DIRECTOR.

THREE OR FOUR OTHER PERSONS, MCCARTHY SAID, ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE JOB VACATED BY MATTHEWS.

ASKED WHETHER HUBERMAN ALSO WOULD BE CITED FOR CONTEMPT, MCCARTHY REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE. "HE STATED HIS VIEWS--HE HAS A RIGHT TO DO IT," MCCARTHY SAID.

IN TALKING WITH REPORTERS BEFORE THE SESSION, MCCARTHY DEFENDED COHN AND CHIEF CONSULTANT G. DAVID SCHINE WHO WERE CRITICIZED AS "KEYSTONE COPS" IN A SENATE SPEECH YESTERDAY BY SEN. A.S. MIKE MONRONEY (D-OKLA.).

MCCARTHY SAID HE HAD HEARD NO CRITICISM OF EITHER WITHIN THE SUBCOMMITTEE AND THAT "ROY (COHN) IS THE MOST BRILLIANT YOUNG MAN I'VE EVER WORKED WITH." HE SAID "IF ANYBODY HAS ANY OBJECTION TO ANY STAFF MEMBER, I'LL BE GLAD TO HEAR IT. MCCARTHY ALSO SAID SCHINE, WHO WORKS WITHOUT PAY, IS "DOING A VERY GOOD JOB" AND PAYING ALL HIS OWN EXPENSES.

MONRONEY SAID A RECENT EUROPEAN TRIP BY COHN AND SCHINE TO LOOK INTO OVERSEAS LIBRARIES WAS A "KEYSTONE COP CHASE" THAT DID MORE HARM THAN GOOD.

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What do we know of Baarslag?

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd *gl*

DATE: July 15, 1953

FROM :  *WJB*SUBJECT: *b7c*

There are attached hereto clippings which appeared in the Daily News of July 14, 1953, and Washington Post of July 15, 1953, relative to the fact that Karl Baarslag may replace Dr. J. B. Matthews as Staff Director of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy's Senate Permanent Investigating Subcommittee.

For your information, Baarslag is presently employed by the Committee and has been an assistant to Dr. Matthews. Baarslag's employment with the American Legion terminated in January of this year after he served an ultimatum on the Legion indicating that it either publish some material of his or else he would tender his resignation. His resignation was promptly accepted.

For your further information, the entire situation concerning Baarslag's resignation dates back over a period of more than a year. At the time he was initially employed by the Legion as a Research Analyst his work came under the National Americanism Commission and anything published or sent out by him had to have the approval of National Headquarters. He became dissatisfied, wanted to operate on his own without any supervision by the National Americanism Commission, and enlisted the aid of a number of Legionnaires in an attempt to set him up independent of the Americanism Commission. He had it so well organized that the matter came to the floor of the National Convention in New York last year and several of us worked right hard to keep his plans from being carried out. It was obvious to us that Baarslag should have rather close supervision because last year as a result of his activities on two occasions the Legion very narrowly escaped rather heavy libel suits.

It appears to me that he is quite resentful and vicious. In the June 12, 1953, issue of the U. S. News and World Report there was an article indicating that the Legion was turning its back on fighting Communist activities. The article gave a very detailed history of Baarslag and it was obvious that he was responsible for the material contained therein which it is understood was written by Dr. Matthews.

It is anticipated the subject will again come up at the National Convention in St. Louis inasmuch as Baarslag has convinced several state delegations that the Legion is soft-pedaling the fight on Communism. This is absolutely incorrect and all the Legion was attempting to do was to keep from being discredited by Baarslag's "bull in a china closet" activities.

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Memorandum to Mr. Ladd

The reason I have gone somewhat into detail concerning Baarslag's resignation from the Legion is that he will doubtlessly contact someone here at the Seat of Government in an attempt to secure information from time to time and in my opinion we should be most circumspect in our dealings with him.

I agree.
[Signature]

Ex-Leg Red Hunter May A. McCarthy

Senator Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) said yesterday that Karl Baarslag, former antisubversive director for the American Legion, may be appointed research director for his Senate investigating subcommittee.

Baarslag resigned from his American Legion job in March after he failed to convince officials there that they should conduct an even more intensive anti-Communist campaign than they already do.

In April, Baarslag was a witness before the McCarthy subcommittee. He completely supported the thesis McCarthy sought to develop about the overseas library program which Baarslag said he examined in three cities.

Baarslag said:

"The pattern is one of a vast, as we feel, planned conspiracy that has been going on in this country for many years, not only to push pro-Soviet and Communist books but, to me what is far more sinister and dangerous, the blacklisting, suppression, and knifing of books on our side, the anti-Communist books, and the books telling the truth about Soviet Russia."

Baarslag has been spending some time with the McCarthy staff for several weeks. He described himself as "being considered for employment as of July 16."

McCarthy said Baarslag would not be the successor to J. B. Matthews, who resigned from the staff last Thursday after a wave of national controversy over his magazine article alleging there is widespread of communism among members of the Protestant clergy.

All three Democratic members of the subcommittee resigned in a repercussion of that clash when the Republicans, the next day, voted to give McCarthy complete power to hire and fire all staff members.

McCarthy said yesterday he has three of four other persons in mind for Matthews' post, and pointedly noted, "I want to take that up with the other members of the committee."

The Wisconsin Senator yesterday denied any knowledge of reports that objections have been made about the further employment of either the chief counsel of his subcommittee, Roy M. Cohn, or G. David Schine, who is its unpaid chief consultant.

McCarthy said he has heard no "objections" to any present staff member. He called Cohn "the most brilliant young man I ever worked with" and "a member of the staff."

"I don't know," Cohn, at stand-

director, he would be a replacement for Howard Rushmore, who held that post until about a month ago.

Baarslag is 53 years old and lives at 1509 East-West hwy., Silver Spring. A former radio operator in the Merchant Marine, Baarslag was later a lieutenant commander in the Navy during World War II and is an author of books about the sea.

Asked about the circumstances of his resignation from the Legion, Baarslag referred reporters to a recent magazine article in U. S. News and World Report entitled "Legion's 'Red Chase' Being Toned Down?" It recounts, and other officials confirmed, that Baarslag was one of a group in the Legion that favored more power for the anti-subversive section. The proposal was defeated at the Legion convention last year. Baarslag also encountered disagreement over

proposals made in the publication he edited for the Legion, the Firing Line, but his resignation reportedly was taken with no ill feeling on either side.

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Karl H. W. Baarslag of 1509 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, may replace Dr. J. B. Matthews as staff director of Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's Senate Permanent Investigating sub-committee, it appeared today. He was research director on subversive and un-American activities for the American Legion's National Americanism Commission for six years and quit recently to "go into private" advisory and consultative work."

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BOUDIN PROTESTED THAT THE REFERENCE TO THE COPLON CASE WAS "IMPROPER" BECAUSE HE WAS NOT A WITNESS.

O'CONNOR IS THE AUTHOR OF "MELLON'S MILLIONS" AND OTHER BOOKS ABOUT AMERICAN MILLIONAIRES.

HUBERMAN SAID HE HAS "ON OCCASION ASSOCIATED WITH THE COMMUNISTS TO THE EXTENT THAT THEIR AIMS AND METHODS COINCIDE WITH MINE."

BUT HE REFUSED TO SAY HOW HIS "MARXIST" VIEWS "DEVIATE" FROM THOSE OF A "COMMUNIST."

HUBERMAN CONFERRED FREQUENTLY WITH HIS LAWYER, JOSEPH SHARFSIN, FORMER CITY SOLICITOR OF PHILADELPHIA. ASKED IF HE BELIEVED IN "OUR FORM OF GOVERNMENT," HUBERMAN SAID "YES, I DO."

BUT HE REFUSED TO SAY WHETHER HE BELIEVES IN "CAPITALISM."

CHIEF COUNSEL ROY M. COHN SAID FIVE OF HUBERMAN'S BOOKS ARE IN THE OVERSEAS LIBRARIES -- "MAN'S WORDLY GOODS," "AMERICAN INCORPORATED," "THE TRUTH ABOUT UNIONS," "THE TRUTH ABOUT SOCIALISM," AND "WE, THE PEOPLE." HUBERMAN SAID HE DID NOT KNOW IT UNTIL THE SUBCOMMITTEE TOLD HIM.

O'CONNOR DEFIED THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S FIRST ORDER TO APPEAR LAST WEEK AND REMAINED AT HIS LITTLE COMPTON, R.I., HOME. HE WAS FORMALLY SUBPENAED BY A U.S. MARSHAL FOR THE SESSION TODAY.

MEANTIME, MCCARTHY REFUSED TO COMMENT ON REPORTS THAT KARL BAARSLAG OF SILVER SPRING, MD., FORMER HEAD OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AMERICANISM COMMISSION, IS BEING CONSIDERED AS A REPLACEMENT FOR J. B. MATTHEWS AS SUBCOMMITTEE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. MATTHEWS QUIT LAST WEEK DURING A FUROR OVER HIS CHARGE IN A MAGAZINE ARTICLE THAT THE PROTESTANT CLERGY CONTAINS THOUSANDS OF COMMUNISTS OR COMMUNIST SYMPATHIZERS.

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WASHINGTON CITY NEWS SERVICE

SAC, Miami

November 23, 1954

Director, FBI

KARL BAARSLAG

For your information, Mr. Karl Baarslag, formerly Director of Research for the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, has advised a Bureau official that he is proceeding to Florida where he has undertaken an assignment [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] Mr. Baarslag outlined that Attorney General Ervin is having a survey made to determine whether a State legislative committee should be created to investigate Communist infiltration in the State of Florida, or whether this assignment should be handled through the Attorney General's office. Mr. Baarslag has been retained to work [REDACTED] in making this survey.

b7c Mr. Baarslag will be traveling around the State of Florida and he wanted the Bureau to know exactly what his assignment is in the event some question is raised.

Mr. Baarslag at one time lived in Florida and has been the subject of communications between the Miami office and the Bureau. Mr. Baarslag, of course, is not entitled to receive information from the Bureau's files, however, should he contact you he should be treated courteously.

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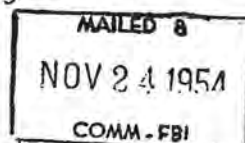
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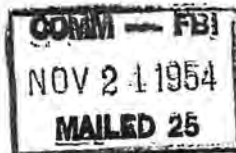
Mr. Karl Baarslag
1509 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, Maryland

Dear Mr. Baarslag:

In line with your conversation with Mr. Nichols on the occasion of your recent visit to the Bureau, it is a pleasure to enclose a new copy of the communication which was sent to you under date of May 28, 1941. This is undoubtedly the communication you had in mind in your conversation with Mr. Nichols.

I do want you to know we have appreciated your interest and cooperation in the years subsequent to 1941.

Sincerely yours,



J. Edgar Hoover

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May 28, 1941

Mr. K. Baarslag
970 Southwest 10th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Baarslag:

Mr. K. R. McIntire of this Bureau has brought to my attention the envelope which you directed to him from Miami, Florida, on May 15, 1941, which contained data you advised Mr. McIntire you would make efforts to obtain.

I want you to know that I appreciate so much your courtesy in making available to the Federal Bureau of Investigation the data which you forwarded to Mr. McIntire.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

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Karl Baarslag called on me on November 18, 1954. He has been Director of Research of the Senate Investigating Committee for the past several months but is now leaving this staff. Prior to that he was employed by the American Legion, but was released from that job and there was some controversy between [REDACTED] and Baarslag. Baarslag has been cooperative with the Bureau over the years and as early as the late Thirties was furnishing information to the Bureau on the Commercial Telegraphers Union. He has been outstandingly anti-Communist since then, although there was an unconfirmed allegation he had been a member of the Party, but we could never secure any evidence of this.

Baarslag stated his purpose in calling at the Bureau was two-fold. In the first instance, he has taken a temporary job to confer with [REDACTED] who is being backed by the American Legion in Miami and who, because of his efforts in having a Communist lawyer in Miami disbarred [REDACTED]

The Attorney General of the State of Florida has commissioned [REDACTED] to make a survey of the State with a view of determining whether the State should set up a State investigating committee to investigate Communism, or whether it should be handled through the Attorney General's office. Baarslag stated he would be going about the State in Florida. He wanted us to know exactly what he was doing so that if any question came up, there would be no question as to his identity. He suggested we would want to advise our Miami office. I told him we appreciated his furnishing us this information and we, of course, would alert our Miami office.

Baarslag then stated that many years ago, sometime around 1942, the Director had written him a short letter expressing appreciation for his cooperation. He has treasured this letter and it is some place among his papers but he has not been able to find it. He was wondering if we could send him a copy. I told him we would be glad to do this. He requested the copy be sent to him at his Washington residence, 1509 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland, phone 214-4193.

cc: Mr. Boardman

Mr. Belmont

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I cannot find a letter in 1942 which was sent to Baarslag, however, there is a letter dated May 28, 1941, which expresses appreciation for material Baarslag furnished to Mr. K. R. McIntire. The yellow of this has been copied and it is recommended a new original of the 1941 letter be sent to Baarslag.

A letter is attached to Baarslag transmitting a copy of the 1941 letter.

There is also attached a letter to the Miami office advising of Baarslag's plans.

A handwritten signature, possibly reading "Yon", is written in dark ink.

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TO : Director, FBI
 FROM : SAC, Miami (100-13147)
 SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

DATE: November 30, 1954

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This is to advise that on November 30, 1954, Mr. BAARSLAG called at the Miami Office, at which time he talked to ASAC ALTON M. BRYANT and also SA [REDACTED] b7c

In accordance with instructions received from the Bureau, Mr. BAARSLAG was very courteously treated; however, no information of any type which is contained in the Bureau's files was imparted to him.

In the event he should again contact the Miami Office during his stay in Florida, he will be accorded the same treatment.

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TO : Mr. Tolson *V. J. [unclear]*

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

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Karl Baarslag, telephone JUniper 9-4193, came by to see me this morning to advise that he had concluded that the matter of investigating Communism in Florida was somewhat useless. He gave me a copy of the report which he submitted to the Attorney General on a confidential basis which is attached. He stated that it was his conclusion that the people in Florida were looking at the subject of Communism as a means of furthering their own political positions and that he wanted no part of this.

He then advised that he was leaving on Thursday, 12/30/54, for Dallas, Texas. By way of background, he pointed out that a year ago he had been approached by people in Dallas on the proposition of opening a research office in Dallas which would service security offices of local defense plants, the source of information for patriotic organizations, etc. Accordingly, a group of Texans, the identity of whom he does not know in detail, have now got together a fund of \$30,000, are setting up an independent corporation, and he has signed a contract for one year.

He is also taking all of his bound volumes of hearings. He will subscribe to various Communist and left-wing publications and endeavor to furnish a service to subscribers.

The corporation, which is being set up, has three stockholders; [redacted] is one, the second is a dummy, and he is the third. Among the individuals back of this venture are [redacted] who is active in American Legion circles, and is in a Dallas investment house.

Baarslag stated that he will work with local authorities, do some lecturing, and, of course, will check in with the local office in Dallas and will be of any possible

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cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont

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Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols
RE: KARL BAARSLAG

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assistance. He further stated that he will subscribe to certain Communist publications under the name of [REDACTED] Post Office Box 57, Dallas. He thought we should know this so that if the name of [REDACTED] comes to our attention we will know who it is.

By way of background, he pointed out that [REDACTED] who was one of the very early members of the Party and who he first knew in 1919 [REDACTED] He stated that [REDACTED] invited him to join the Party which he declined; that he maintained contact with [REDACTED] until 1931 and then they had a falling out. He further stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He further stated that [REDACTED] He further related that [REDACTED] in the 1920's, ran a Communist underground movement and was connected with the NKVD; i. e. and the predecessor organization. So far as he knows, [REDACTED] has dropped out of sight and the last he heard of him was near the end of World War II when he was connected with the IWO in Newark.

He further stated that he worked with [REDACTED] and in 1931 he inadvertently stated that he had been talking to [REDACTED] Baarslag stated that he was friendly with several members of the Party until 1926 although he first became suspicious of the Communists in 1921.

At this point, I inquired whether Baarslag had not been in the Party at one time. He stated that he never had; that the idea has gotten around that he had at one time been a Party member but that it definitely is not true although he had been invited to join the Party [REDACTED]

Baarslag further stated that he has talked to [REDACTED] on numerous occasions, knows him rather well, but still suspects him. He is convinced that [REDACTED] is anti-Soviet and anti-Stalinist but he still feels that [REDACTED] is a frustrated revolutionist at heart and it has been his understanding that [REDACTED]

The foregoing is being set forth in view of allegations which we have had in the past that at one time Baarslag was a member of the Party.

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December 14, 1954

SUMMARY- REPORT

Preamble.

This Report to the Attorney General of Florida is based upon a two week field survey ending December 5th ranging from Jacksonville to Miami and including interviews with knowledgeable sources of information in other parts of the state. Those interviewed included former F.B.I. agents, former Naval Intelligence officers and agents, officials presently connected with Federal government agencies, and others well versed with the situation in the state of Florida. The latter included two former Communist Party members.

Preliminary interviews and investigation was also pursued at Washington, D.C. prior to visiting Florida.

ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION AND GENERAL SUMMARY.

From several authoritative sources it was established that there are at present at least 135 and possibly as many as 250 Communists in Florida. "Communists" in this case being very narrowly defined as present, formally enrolled or registered members of the Communist Party, U.S.A. or known former C.P. members who have never broken with the Party, who have never contacted the F.B.I. and who therefore may reasonably be suspected of being "sleepers" or cryptos. The above estimated total in no sense covers active fellow travellers, sympathizers, or others who while not under C.P. discipline still could be tagged as secret allies or sympathizers.

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In this connection it must be recalled that according to repeated testimony by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the F.B.I. , the Communist conspiracy started to go underground in successive stages ever since 1947 with few or no C.P. membership cards issued after 1948. Important Communists and their secret allies either went

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completely underground or else have totally severed all outward and compromising connections with the open Communist Party and its activities. In this connection it should be noted that the recent hearings at Miami by the House Committee on Un-American Activities even after three full days developed no testimony on provable C.P. membership or activity on the part of number of individuals identified as active Communists prior to 1948.

Consultation in Washington and in Florida with former, old time Communist functionaries, including two founders of the C.P. USA., and a number of government agents thoroughly familiar with the situation in Florida brought out the following background facts, conclusions, and leads. The top ruling fraction of the C.P. at New York apparently never considered the Communist Party of Florida as very high calibre nor the state as offering any great potential from a strategic consideration. Until recently Florida had no mass industries or communications lines the partial crippling of which might paralyze or slow down some basic industries. The fact that Florida was a southern state also presented the usual organizational problems.

Florida's geographic position did present attractive exit and entry routes for Soviet agents and couriers as well as American communists, fugitives, and others in a hurry to leave the United States clandestinely. Some twenty or more years ago

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naturalized and alien Cubans in the Tampa area were involved in the forging of fraudulent birth certificates and others papers required for citizenship proceedings, passports, and other documents. The same group today is said to be closely connected with the Caribbean Legion and Central American Communist activities. It should be noted en passant there has always been a Communist nucleus among the Cuban cigarmakers at Key West and Ybor City since the very founding of the Communist Party in this country.

The entire question of secret Communist agents and couriers using Florida as an exit and entry route is entirely an F.B.I. responsibility. Any interference in this highly complex and delicate field by any state authorities, no matter how well intentioned or appealing, unless first worked out in close liaison with the Bureau would lead to most unfortunate and regrettable results. It is now common knowledge that the F.B.I. has generally infiltrated most strata of the Communist conspiracy. A state investigation which "uncovered", for example, several suspected couriers or secret agents might very conceivably find itself embarrassed by having inadvertently exposed and ruined an extremely valuable Cretic or Philbrick. Or it might compromise an important uncompleted investigation.

There has been some Communist infiltration along the Tampa waterfront and in the sugar industry centered around lower Lake Okeechobee. A U.S. Immigration and Naturalization

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b7c Service Inspector at Tampa [REDACTED] is said to be the best informed man in that area on the local Communist situation. No leads or possible sources of information on Communist infiltration in the sugar industry was obtained during this reporter's short stay in Florida.

The field of labor in Florida otherwise appears to offer very little as far as Communist infiltration is concerned. Communist colonization of strategic industries and domination of certain unions in these industries has been the field of many Congressional investigations over a period of many years in other parts of the country. Some initial infiltration in the Miami area several years ago by Charles Smolikoff and others seems to have been effectively frost-killed in the bud by the labor people themselves. There is, however, a small nucleus of cryptos in Pan-American Airways at Miami.

Nothing was developed by this reporter on the degree and extent of Communist infiltration among and recruitment of Negroes in the state. [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] is probably the best source of information on this particular aspect of the whole problem.

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There was considerable Communist infiltration some years ago in the citrus industry, particularly around Orlando, Winter Haven, and that part of the state. The recent House Committee on Un-American Activities hearings at Miami developed practically no information on this particular angle. It is entirely possible that thorough investigation in this area would develop a considerable amount of Communist activity.

It has been obvious for at least twenty years or longer that there was a very heavy concentration of Communists on Miami Beach. Most of them originally were winter visitors from New York. Some years ago the Communist Party at New York through the medium of the Daily Worker attempted to lay down an economic boycott on Florida and on Miami Beach in particular because of alleged anti-Negro discrimination on Miami Beach. All Communist Party members were ordered to stay away from the Beach and to other winter spots. The embargo was a total failure -- New York Communists with the means and leisure still sought out Miami Beach. In fact, one of the Party's leading theoreticians and top fraction leader, Alexander Bittelman, later indicted and convicted under the Smith Act, was arrested by U.S. Immigration authorities for deportation while sojourning on Miami Beach.

A confidential and highly reliable source of information, connected with a U.S. government agency in Florida was of the opinion that after New York City, the Miami Beach colony of cryptos was one of the Communist Party's main sources of funds and financial contributions. Particularly so in that Hollywood's motion picture industry appears now to have been almost dried up as a reservoir of financial contributions.

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The Miami Beach situation, however, is unfortunately complicated by the fact that any investigation there would run into very powerful political opposition and a tremendous barrage of adverse publicity and the usual left-wing inspired hullabaloo can confidently be predicted. There also is the awkward fact that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The Daily Worker.

Jewish Life (cited as subversive by the California and Massachusetts Legislative Committees) and other Communist publications have already played up this angle. It goes without saying that any investigation in this particular area would have to be handled with utmost discretion and finesse and that sympathetic press and radio coverage would have to be carefully worked out in advance in order to nullify as much as possible the formidable barrage of artificially whipped up hysteria which can be predicted in advance. An investigator with a Congressional committee familiar with the Florida situation states that there are 60 identifiable Communists on Miami Beach.

This leaves only the fields of education and mass communications. That there has been some degree of crypto-Communist infiltration in these two highly critical areas is highly probable. The designation "crypto-Communist" is used advisedly as it is highly unlikely that even a most painstaking and thorough investigation would turn up very many individuals with open C.P. records. Unless leads and assistance were

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furnished by the F.B.I. or some Floridian Budenz or Bella Dodd defected and told everything this particular area presents considerable difficulty. Crypto-Communists who are certain that the state cannot produce witnesses positively placing them in the Communist Party will not invoke the Fifth Amendment.

CONCLUSION.

There is a considerable body of opinion here in Washington that Congressional committees investigating Communist activities under the Democratic organization of Congress will tend to taper off or de-emphasize subversive activities. Partisan politics being what it is it seems logical to assume that a Democratic Congress will concentrate on graft, corruption, and misfeasance under the Republicans rather than follow the line of Republican investigation of subversion under previous Democratic administrations. Informed observers here feel that states, particularly those where states' rights sentiment runs high, will do well to do their own subversive investigations and not to depend on Congressional committees. The practical difficulty here is that very few if any legislators of state legislatures have even the most elementary grasp of the whole complex and baffling problem of subversion and generally manage to make their efforts look bungling, inept and ridiculous.

The selection of a state investigating committee of the Legislature therefore should be most carefully hand-picked using if possible only men with former intelligence or investigative experience. The mere possession of a legal degree is meaningless and often a handicap. At least a week's intensive training and reading under the guidance of

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a counter-subversive expert should be an absolute "must" before any public hearings are undertaken. The incompetent and ridiculous questioning and inane and frivolous observations often made by Senators and Congressmen participating in such hearings on subversion even after several years of attendance demonstrates that they never knew anything about the subject to begin with and that they learned nothing even after years of first hand experience with highly trained and intelligent Communists.

The Communists and their secret allies and left-wing supporters are quick to spot and never fail to exploit to the maximum the silly blunders and stupidly bigoted comments of ill-informed legislators. Nor do they ever miss any "openings" for damaging counterattacks. The whole left-liberal press and radio can always be trusted to play down, disparage, or pass over in silence the most damaging and effective disclosures made by such investigating committees and conversely to highlight and exaggerate the slips and boners by the legislators.

The Ohio State Un-American Activities Commission's organization and work offers an example to other states to follow in dealing with the subversive problem at state level. The selection of competent and experienced counsel and chief investigator is crucial. Experience in other states has amply proven that subversive investigating committees may survive bungling and inept chairmen and members but never overcome bad staff preparation and investigation.

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cc - Mr Nichols

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SAC, Dallas

January 7, 1955

Director, FBI (100-27055)

KARL BAARSLAG
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING
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For your information Mr. Karl Baarslag has advised a Bureau official that he is proceeding to Dallas, Texas, where he has undertaken an assignment of opening a research office in Dallas, Texas, which would service security offices of local defense plants, be a source of information for patriotic organizations, etc.

Karl Baarslag was born November 25, 1900, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. During 1941 he was a lieutenant in the United States Naval Reserve attached to the Communications Section of the Seventh Naval District. He was chairman of the Commercial Telegraphers Union, American Federation of Labor. In 1946 Baarslag was the editor of the "Argus Advisory Service News Bulletin," Washington, D. C. As head of this Service he published a weekly news letter setting forth information concerning current rackets, gyp schemes and confidence scandals. In 1951 Baarslag was the national representative of the Americanism Committee of the American Legion. He has been very cooperative with the Bureau furnishing information on Communist activities during 1932 - 1936. He has been anti-Communist although there was an unconfirmed allegation that he had been a member of the Party, but no evidence could be secured on this. Baarslag was formerly Director of Research for the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. Baarslag in connection with the Attorney General of the State of Florida made a survey of the State of Florida to determine whether the state should set up a state investigating committee to investigate Communism.

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Baarslag advised that an independent corporation is being set up and he will subscribe to various Communist and left-wing publications under the name of

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b7c [redacted] Post Office Box 57, Dallas. Baarslag pointed out that [redacted] who was one of the very earliest members of the Communist Party whom he knew in 1919. Baarslag advised that he had never been a member of the Communist Party but the idea has gotten around that he had at one time been a Party member but that is definitely not true although he had been invited to join the Party [redacted] Baarslag stated that he will work with local authorities, do some lecturing and he wanted the Bureau to know exactly what his assignment is in the event some questions are raised.

Mr. Baarslag is not entitled to receive information from Bureau files. However, should he contact you, he should be treated courteously.

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On 3-24-55 KARL BAARSLAG appeared at the Dallas Office, advising that he is now employed in Dallas by the American National Research, Inc., 311 Burt Building, Dallas, Texas, telephone RANDolph 6839, residence telephone LAKESIDE 2905.

Mr. BAARSLAG offered the resources of his office by way of index cards, reports of government hearings, both Congressional and State, as well as information concerning previous radio operators, minutes of Maritime union meetings for the period 1937-1939, etc. He volunteered that

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BAARSLAG said he wished to emphasize that his company merely makes name searches for industrial concerns at the rate of one dollar per employee and that they positively are not conducting investigations.

Mr. BAARSLAG was thanked for his offer of cooperation.

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RING LARDNER WRITES A BOOK. The Dallas Times-Herald for April 10th in its book section carried a three column review of something by RING LARDNER, Jr., called "The Ecstasy of Owen Muir." John H. Griffin wrote the review which is mildly favorable with some reservations over Lardner's satirization of big business, sex, politics, and Roman Catholicism. The favorable review of a book by RING LARDNER, Jr. without a word as to who he is raises an interesting question. "Do newspapermen read newspapers?" John Griffin and the Dallas Times Herald presumably do not know who Ring Lardner, Jr. is. So if our better informed readers will pardon us--here we go.

Lardner was identified as a Communist Party member by no less than twelve witnesses under oath including BUDD SCHULBERG, ROBERT ROSSEN, RICHARD COLLINS, and MARTIN BERKELEY. He appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities on October 30, 1947, and refused to deny or affirm C. P. membership. Because the Fifth Amendment had not as yet been discovered he and nine others took refuge in the 1st Amendment and was cited for contempt. RING LARDNER, Jr., was one of the notorious Hollywood Ten who went to prison for contempt of Congress. This only six years ago. DO NEWSPAPER MEN READ THEIR OWN PAPERS?

TEXAS WESTERN COLLEGE PUTS ON ARTHUR MILLER PLAY. The Drama Department over at Texas Western College apparently doesn't read the papers either. You probably won't believe this one but they recently put on ARTHUR MILLER'S communist-line "Death of a Salesman." And the El Paso Times coyly gave credit to some unidentified "theys" by saying "many followers of the theater consider (Miller's play) to be the finest drama written in the modern era and one which is generally considered to be one of the best plays ever written for the American theater,...." Even the Daily Worker which doted lovingly on the important social message in the "Death of a Salesman" was a bit more restrained in its enthusiasm.

ARTHUR MILLER'S long front record was published in Red Channels way back in June, 1950. This handy reference work on subversives in the entertainment field presumably did not reach Texas Western. We suggest that some old grad present the Drama Department of Texas Western with a copy of Red Channels and spare his alma mater the embarrassment of presenting more of Miller's anti-American plays. Miller wrote another play "All My Sons" which even the usually broad-minded U. S. Army had to bar from presentation in U. S. Army occupied zones in Europe. It is just possible that some of the staff of the Drama Department of Texas Western are members of the American Legion. We will let them in on a bit of Legion news. In March, 1952, the District of Columbia Dept. of the American Legion with Department Commander Holliman in uniform picketed Miller's "Death of a Salesman" then showing at a Washington, D. C. movie house.

Variety, a national circulation magazine in the entertainment field gave this Legion picketing page 3 billing. Both wire services, AP and UP, gave it national coverage. Counter-attack and other anti-communist publications spread the word -- but it apparently never reached Texas Western.

REAR ADMIRAL STANFORD C. HOOPER, USN, (Ret.)

The "Father of Naval Radio", Rear Admiral S. C. Hooper passed on in his home on Miami Beach last week at the age of seventy. He was a classmate of Admiral Nimitz having graduated from Annapolis in 1905. The N. Y. Times obituary page listed briefly his distinguished career, honors, and medals. It omitted, however, one chief claim to distinction--Admiral Hooper was the first high-ranking American officer to be privately humiliated by a President of the United States because he was "too anti-Communitic." Franklin D. Roosevelt had issued personal orders to banish the distinguished admiral from Washington like a common felon for the duration of the war.

Admiral Hooper had been largely responsible for the passage of Public Law #351 which empowered the Secretary of the Navy for the duration of World War II to remove subversive radio officers from American merchant ships. Congress passed the law unanimously a few days after Pearl Harbor. Some fifty or sixty Nazi, Japanese, Italian, and other operators of questionable loyalty were quietly removed from our wartime ships without publicity or public stigma. The Navy then started to beach about twenty of the worst Communists out of a total of over 200 then manning our radiorooms. All Hell broke loose. The Communists got to the White House with their squawks in a matter of a few days.

On May 19th, 1942, Secretary of the Navy, Frank Knox, called about twenty high-ranking naval officers into his office for a conference. Mr. Knox said that he had received verbal orders "from the Commander-in-Chief" (ie., the President) not only to cease ousting Communist radio operators but to restore them to their ships. All Communists who had been released from Navy Yards were also to be re-instated with full back pay.

Admiral Hooper, a slightly built man in frail health, was the only officer to "hit the deck" with some question as to the soundness of the order. He pointed out that our ships carrying troops and munitions were scattered over the seven seas which could be directed and controlled only by radio once they left land. There were still some 200 radio operators of doubtful loyalty on these ships. What would happen if they took their orders from Moscow instead of from the United States? After all the Navy was merely carrying out an act of Congress, the supreme law of the land.

Knox told him coldly that as long as he continued to be Secretary of the Navy he would carry out the President's orders. He likewise would expect every Navy officer under his command similarly to carry out his orders without quibbling or mental reservation. Shortly afterwards Admiral Hooper was ordered to a piddling little job as material inspector in New York. He was also told not to show his face in Washington for the duration of the war. He retired a year later for physical disability.

The admiral, a real gentleman of the old school, told this writer that what really hurt him deeply was that many of his old associates whom he had known for thirty or forty years carefully avoided him at social functions and on the street. The curse of the White House was on him and some of the blight might rub off on their naval careers!

Only last year the old admiral in frail health made the rounds of congressional offices and patriotic societies in Washington futilely seeking ways and means whereby his good name might be cleared. The whole sordid story of Roosevelt's coddling of Communist radio operators and nullification of law by executive fiat was finally brought into the open by the Jenner Committee last year. See Interlocking Subversion, Part 18, by the Senate Sub-Committee on Internal Security.

TEXAS PATRIOTIC GROUPS might do well to commend and honor Judge R. E. Thomason of El Paso who demonstrated that he understood Communism as well as law when he sentenced switch-around witness HARVEY MATUSOW to three years in the pokey. Judge Thomason also made legal history when he simply barred Communist lawyer NATHAN WITT from even practicing in his court. WITT has been identified under oath by several witnesses as having been implicated in Soviet espionage. Experts on Communism are agreed that one of the secrets of Communist success in this country has been masterly exploitation of the law and our courts in protecting and advancing their criminal conspiracy. Communist lawyers are highly trained specialists in finding loopholes and flaws in our legal system. Many are brilliant Constitutional authorities.

Very, very few of our lawyers and judges seem even dimly to understand the nature of Communism and how Communists work and succeed. The Supreme Court decision in the Schneiderman case being a particularly horrible example of incredible judicial naivete and ignorance. What this country needs is not a good five cent cigar but about five or six more Judge Thomasons on the U. S. Supreme Court.

STUDENT AND FARMER EXCHANGE PROGRAM. We may not know just how to get alien commies out but our State Department is all for getting more in. Even if they can only come as "visitors" or "students". The Attorney General announced on March 10th that eleven editors of "student and youth publications" in Russia will be granted temporary visitors visas. Please don't laugh but some of the Soviet "students" are 39 years old. State Department made the request although their admission is a violation of the Walter-McCarran Act.

The INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION in New York will make all arrangements. This organization has never been officially cited or even investigated but is well worth the scrutiny of some Congressional committee. It was founded in the early twenties by Stephen Duggan, father of LAWRENCE DUGGAN. The younger DUGGAN jumped, fell, or was pushed to his death from a New York office building shortly after being questioned by the F. B. I. in connection with Soviet espionage. EDWARD MURROW started his career with the INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION and reputedly was a close friend of the younger Duggan. MURROW was an assistant director of the INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION when that organization sponsored the First Russian Seminar or Moscow Summer School for American Students in 1933.

Egghead editorial writers and the whole pseudo-liberal axis are already ridiculing the fact that some Americans question the desirability of admitting 39 year old "students" from Russia to this country in violation of the law. There is ample testimony by Kravchenko, Bogolepov, Gouzenko, and other former Soviet officials who defected to the West that no Russian is permitted abroad unless he is either a seasoned and trained operative of the

Soviet Secret Police is in advance to report everything he picks up abroad in the way of intelligence. Eleven Soviet college boys probably won't be able to pick up much in the way of espionage because as one Soviet spy told Elizabeth Bentley, "There can't be very much left worth stealing over in the Pentagon, is there?" You can bet your bottom dollar that none of Moscow's 39 year old "students and editors" will defect to freedom. And when they get back to Moscow you will have the doubtful pleasure of listening to them abusing Americans as "imperialist warmongers and atomaniacs".

Texas will be spared the dubious honor of entertaining them but a representative of the INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION is already busy out in New Mexico lining up a nice stay for our Soviet guests. They will also visit Columbia University, and colleges at Tuskegee, San Francisco, Denver, Chicago, Detroit, Ann Arbor, and Washington, D. C.

FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC, Inc. Dallas and other newspapers recently carried notices in "Letters from Readers" sections signed by RALPH LORD ROY and PAUL A. CARTER, both of New York. They asked persons with information on Communist infiltration in the churches to forward such material to them. They also asked for "Examples of false and irresponsible charges on Communist influence on religion in America." This cute little phrase served to let the cat out of the bag. Note carefully that they did not ask for information on subversive activity among clergymen but for "examples of false and irresponsible charges ...", etc. Who are ROY and CARTER?

RALPH LORD ROY is reputedly an ordained Methodist minister. He graduated from Columbia and from Union Theological Seminary where the Rev. Dr. HARRY F. WARD reigned for years. According to Elizabeth Bentley a Communist cell existed in Union Theological Seminary under the wing of Dr. WARD. Roy is also the author of a latter day "Under Cover" book entitled "Apostles of Discord" which purports to expose the "Protestant underground". His partner CARTER teaches at Columbia. Neither of them has ever been reported as knowing anything about Communism or being anti-Communists. This presumably qualified them as FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC researchers on Communist influence in religion!

Last January the F. F. R. announced that it was allocating \$250,000 for a "factual study of the influence of Communism, past and present, on all aspects of American life." Certainly a most commendable and imperative project -- IF. Unfortunately there is always an "if". In this case, IF those heading the project know anything about the subject they are to research. Of the eleven individuals listed in the press report as being associated with this \$250,000 study, only one, DANIEL BELL, labor editor of Fortune could make any serious claim to knowing something about Communism. Bell is a former Socialist once connected with the New Leader. All the other project workers, as might have been expected, are college profs and academicians. Not one is even a beginner apprentice on Communism.

The FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC was set up a few years ago with \$15,000,000 -- that's right-fifteen million dollars -- from the Ford Foundation. ROBERT M. HUTCHINS, defender of academic freedom for Communist teachers and about whom no more need be said, is the President of the Fund for the Republic. Its avowed purpose is to "promote freedom of thought, inquiry, and expression, and combating religious and racial discrimination."

"THE ROAD OF APPEASEMENT IS NOT THE ROAD TO PEACE BUT THE ROAD TO SURRENDER ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN." Sen. William Knowland of California.

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Incorporated in Delaware as a non-profit organization. Founded in 1917. Approximately seventy-five full time staff members with varying numbers of volunteers. All overseas staff members receive only their maintenance. There is no formal membership. Legally the A.F.S.C. is a corporation composed of Quakers representing various Yearly Meetings of the Religious Society of Friends. It is financed by donations from Friends Meetings, foundations, churches, colleges, businessmen and individuals. The organization enjoys Federal income tax exemption on donations.

The A.F.S.C. was started in 1917 by Quakers who were deeply concerned over the loss of spiritual values as a result of the holocaust of World War I. About 600 volunteers carried on relief work in France, Belgium, Russia, Serbia, and other war-ravaged European countries. It performed highly meritorious work in Germany after World War I in relief work among undernourished German children. It was permitted to operate even under the Hitler regime because of this fine record.

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AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

Several of our subscribers seem to feel that our brief summary report in the last issue on the American Friends Service Committee could be construed as a "whitewash" or "clearance" of that organization. No private organization or individual in this country enjoys any powers or right to "clear" any organization or individual of Communist front affiliations or activities. This editor most certainly does not have or claim to have any such power. A subversive record either by an individual or an organization will have to be cleared up by the individual or organization themselves to the satisfaction of a majority of the American people.

We do, however, plead guilty to filing an incomplete report on A. F. S. C. Our first report on this organization was merely in reply to a query as to whether the A. F. S. C. had ever been cited as subversive or a Communist front by any competent state or Congressional investigating committee. It has not. We should have included the following from House Report No. 2681, "Tax Exempt Foundations Report", 1954, page 186:

"Now let us briefly examine the record of the American Friends Service Committee to which the officers of the Ford Foundation attributed such 'capacity to deal effectively' with vital problems that the Foundation granted that organization a total of \$1,134,000 of the public's money."

"The Friends Service Committee supported the pacifist Frazier Bill which would have prevented us from waging war; the Griffen Bill which would have prevented us from granting citizenship to those aliens who refused to take oath to defend the United States. It sponsored the WORLD YOUTH Congress which has been cited as a Communist front. It sent a delegate to the World Youth Festival, held in Prague in 1947, a pro-Soviet and Communist-sponsored affair."

"In June, 1948, it circulated Congress with a statement expressing its unalterable opposition to conscription for military service. This statement was signed by its Chairman HENRY J. CADBURY, and its Executive Secretary CLARENCE E. PICKETT. The Communist front affiliations of these two men (as well as of others associated with the Friends Service Committee) are shown in an appendix to this report.

"The American Friends Service Committee organized the Student Peace Service Committee, which assisted in the organization of the YOUTH COMMITTEE AGAINST WAR, which brought together:

THE AMERICAN STUDENT UNION (Cited as a Communist front);
THE WAR RESISTERS LEAGUE
THE FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION
THE YOUNG PEOPLES SOCIALIST LEAGUE
THE FARMERS UNION
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"TOO BUSY"? Four years ago John T. Flynn, well known columnist and writer, published a small book "While You Slept." It summarized in brief line the whole sickening story behind the betrayal of China to the Communists. A handful of secret pro-Communists strategically placed in our government had neered the greatest coup in treason in all history. Whittaker Chambers pointed in "Witness" that a few Americans whose names were not even known to the rest of us materially changed history for the worst.

Flynn's title was probably selected to flatter Americans by implying that they were not responsible because they were "asleep" while their country's future was gravely jeopardized. The truth, of course, is that the majority of us were not asleep at all--we simply were "too busy" or not interested. Busy with a thousand and one profitable, interesting, or "important" matters. As if there could be anything more important than the preservation of America's security and future upon which all individual futures and security depend anyway. And the great tragedy of our time is that the vast majority of otherwise intelligent, patriotic, and decent Americans are still "too busy" or uninterested even to stop for a moment and take a serious look at the lowering storm clouds.

Several years before Flynn published "While You Slept" another Cassandra named Freda Utley wrote a book called "Last Chance in China." It was probably limited to a first printing of two or three thousand copies. Had only two or three hundred thousand Americans read and acted on this book, China would have been saved for the West and 35,000 American boys lost in Korea would still be alive with their families and loved ones. THE HISTORICAL PENALTY FOR APATHY, INDIFFERENCE, STUPIDITY, AND COWARDICE IS A FEARFUL ONE. IT CAN ONLY BE PAID IN BLOOD, MISERY, ENORMOUS CASUALTIES, AND DEATH. KOREA IS ONLY A TINY ADVANCE DOWN PAYMENT ON THE STAGGERING PRICE WE SHALL HAVE TO PAY FOR THE STUPIDITY AND COWARDICE OF OUR NATIONAL LEADERSHIP IN THE PAST TWENTY YEARS.

This Report would be gravely remiss if it did not frankly warn its readers that time is now running out very fast. Those who read "Intelligence Digest" already know this. Other experts and realistic sources of intelligence are equally pessimistic. As in Homer's Iliad the fools inside the city are getting ready to open the gates to drag in the "peace offering" of the departed Greeks. We apparently have learned nothing from history--not even from thirty-seven years of bloody Soviet successes. Phineas T. Barnum once said "Never give a sucker a break." This raises the question "Why should international gangsters and confidence-men give a Sucker Nation a break?" Act the fool and you will soon be treated like a fool. Act the coward and you will soon have your throat cut or your head bashed in by more brutal and realistic forces.

Most of this issue, therefore, is devoted to a serious appeal to the businessmen and community leaders of the Southwest to wake up and get into action before it is too late. Much of the Eastern business world is already shot through and through with defeatism, anti-anti-Communism, total apathy, pink foundationitis, softening of economic acumen, and the blind staggers of phoney "liberalism." "You can't

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The heavy burden of alerting, informing, and organizing Americans in counter-subversive activity has been carried by a few hundred dedicated men and women. It has been wisely said that "The duty of all should not be the burden of the few." Now is the time for new volunteers by the thousands to start moving up to the front. There is plenty of work for everyone. There are numerous organizations and publications which will welcome your support or suggest where you can find a firing position. ANR REPORT will devote part of every issue to simple, practical hints on what you as an individual can do with little money or loss of time to hold the line against the enemies of America right here at home.

What the Southwest can contribute now is to do what businessmen of the East have failed to do-- set up a well-financed foundation for the preservation of the American way of life. Eastern millionaires have set up literally hundreds of foundations endowed with several billion dollars for every conceivable project under the sun except one-- to combat and expose all Socialistic and Communistic trends and advances. We have foundations and organizations to support and defend UNESCO, the United Nations, One World schemes, and all manner of globaloney and international bleeding heart projects but not a single one which supplies citizens with some basic and solid facts on the American side of these arguments. The incredible fact as brought out in the Cox and Reece Committee's Investigations is that practically all of the wealth set aside for supposedly altruistic and humanitarian purposes in the form of foundations is under the control of professional trustees and administrators who, if not actually pinkos or liberals, most certainly were not informed and dedicated anti-Communists.

Wealthy Americans who have made any sizeable and continuous contributions to fighting Socialism and Communism can be counted on the fingers of two hands. And they have acted as individuals. The battle is now too far advanced for individual volunteers to handle alone--massed reserves must be moved into action. The question then is, "Can the Southwest mobilize and supply such reserves?"

ADD PATRIOTISM TO ADS. Practical suggestion No. 1. Mr. H. L. Hunt of Dallas recently made the suggestion that businessmen have a wonderful opportunity in every advertisement that they place to boost Americanism or help other patriots. A small boxed notice in one corner can list the radio or TV channels and times of such commentators as Fulton Lewis, Jr., Paul Harvey, John T. Flynn, Dan Smoot, or Dean Manion. There is always room in any large advertisement to listing a few good anti-Communist books, plays, or movies. Or stirring facts of American history, anniversaries, or sayings by great patriots can be quoted. This idea is already at work and being used by some Texas businessmen. -

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE. Every June without fail the AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE sends a flock of speakers into Texas, generally to colleges and church groups. A report on this organization is separately appended with this issue.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS. THE LAMP cited in our last issue as a Communist publication referred to THE LAMP published by the AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE FOREIGN BORN, a notorious Communist front. There may be other publications with a similar name. In our No. 5 we referred to Dallas Times-Herald book review of "Ecstasy of Owen Muir" by Communist Ring Lardner. We neglected to mention that the publishers were Cameron and Kahn who also recently produced the Matusow opus. Both ANGUS CAMERON and ALBERT E. KAHN took the Fifth Amendment recently before a Senate Sub-Committee when asked whether they were or ever had been Communists.

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TEN DOLLARS A YEAR

JUNE 1

INHERIT THE WIND. Joint production of SHUMLIN and Dallas own MARGO JONES. SHUMLIN'S long Communist front record was documented in our 7th Report. Shumlin and Miss Jones squabbled briefly in a Dallas court over whether or not the play should be presented here before the expiration of its New York opening run. What kind of a play is "Inherit The Wind"? Is it basically American and soundly patriotic? Is it "non-controversial" and merely entertainment or does it have a definite place in the cold war for men's minds?

The Daily Worker for May 27th gives it three half columns on its back page in a skimpy six page tabloid edition. Not only is there nothing in "Inherit The Wind" to which the Communists object -- not a line or a word -- but the reviewer goes overboard with a rave recommendation to the Fifth Column in America for which this paper is the voice of official Communist authority. "By far the best new American drama presented on the Broadway stage this season" is one opening plug. "The playwrights were successful in their aim which they said was to show 'the great danger to freedom, particularly academic freedom... that what happened in Dayton in 1925 was not in the remote past and could have happened yesterday.'"

The Communist boost goes on: "The first draft of this play was completed in 1950 but the playwrights decided to hold back its production until the intellectual climate cleared a bit." The Communists were happy that "Inherit The Wind" is "a box office hit, playing to capacity houses." The Shumlin-Jones produced play "is a theatre event that will be long remembered." The rave review goes on: Herman Shumlin and Margo Jones brought "Inherit The Wind" to the air-conditioned National Theatre (New York) at the cost of \$80,000. The Daily Worker concludes its long review by saying that the play is "truly fine drama. It has something important to say about academic freedom and the McCarthyism of our times. It is wonderful entertainment." Which raises an important question -- "Who put up the \$80,000 for this play which the Communists call 'the best American drama of this year'? In her testimony in court Miss Jones said that \$20,000 to \$25,000 was raised right here in Dallas.

ANR REPORT CALLS THE TURN. While not in the prediction and prognostication business, ANR REPORT in its very first issue warned that anti-Communists in government agencies were in for trouble under the new Democratic-controlled Congress. We predicted Congressional probes into alleged violation of "civil liberties" and the re-opening of borderline loyalty and security cases. In other words that instead of ferreting out traitors and subversives certain Congressional sub-committees would now go after the investigators and "Red-baiters" themselves. The Daily Worker at least two years ago demanded: "Investigate the Investigators." Later the left-liberal press and N. Y. Times-Washington Post axis took up the same cry.

On May 27th former U. S. Senator GUY GILLETTE, now a member of the Senate Judiciary Sub-Committee, announced that he would probe the role played by government witnesses against Communists and doubtful security and loyalty

blood by Communists since the start of the Cold War in 1943. John Birch was the son of Southern missionaries and was born in India. He became a missionary in China, helped some of Doolittle's fliers escape from the Japanese and later became an American intelligence officer behind Japanese lines deep in the interior of China. His cold-blooded murder by Chinese Communists, whom we considered our "allies," was suppressed for years by your government at Washington. Read the book yourself, it is only 116 pages and can be secured from Regnery & Co. in Chicago, Ill. (20 West Jackson Blvd.) for fifty cents. The book also contains a valuable three page bibliography of periodicals and books dealing with Communism and related subjects.

THE MRS. MANUEL MILLER CASE. If a Communist or supporter of the criminal conspiracy of Communism in this country loses his government job or gets forced off a radio or TV program, a tremendous hullabaloo is started in New York which is instantly picked up and re-broadcast by a well-oiled and slick-working publicity apparatus all over the country. The New York Times, Denver Post, American Civil Liberties Union, and dozens of newspapers, commentators, and leftish organizations spring into action apparently without orders or even co-ordination. What happens when an anti-Communist gets the business?

A forty-four year old Bethel, Vermont, woman has been brutally seized on a Federal Court order after a tear gas siege of her home, torn from her minor children, and transported to an insane asylum in Washington, D.C. Mrs. Manuel Miller, a militant anti-Communist, was arrested and then committed to St. Elizabeth's Hospital on the highly questionable grounds that she was not mentally competent to stand trial. She appears to have questioned the Constitutionality of the peace-time Selective Service Act. Westbrook Pegler, William Loeb, the Vermont publisher, the Tulsa Tribune, and Indianapolis Star have already broken this rather curious commitment case. Pegler claims that Mrs. Miller, a housewife, was the first to expose the fact that OWEN Lattimore and a whole nest of his ilk were settling in that part of Vermont. The Federal Judge who committed this woman to an insane asylum 500 miles from her home and family is one ERNEST GIBSON. We happen to have some grave doubts about the judgement of this Federal Judge.

When ALGER HISS asked for a change of venue from New York City to Vermont it was generally rumored that the then Governor ERNEST GIBSON, a Republican, would be appointed to a federal judgeship vacancy by Democrat President Truman. Hiss did not get his change of venue. But Gov. GIBSON did go to the defense of a certain MARSHALL DIMOCK whom the National Americanism Commission of the Legion had included in a list of speakers and others "inappropriate and unsuitable for Legion sponsorship." Gibson was a Legionnaire and threatened to blast the National Americanism Commission for its implied slur on his friend DIMOCK. He came to the National Convention at Philadelphia but never opened his mouth. Some one presumably had told him that Military Intelligence and the Office of Naval Intelligence had plenty of information on his friend MARSHALL DIMOCK.

There is something very, very fishy about this commitment case by Judge Gibson. A young Dallasite has just returned from Washington where he paid Mrs. Miller a two hour visit. While he is not a psychiatrist he felt certain that Mrs. Miller is perfectly rational and sane. So do her neighbors and others who know her. Senate Judiciary Committee should look into this case and particularly into the background of Federal Judge ERNEST GIBSON and his connections with one MARSHALL DIMOCK.

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TO : Mr. Nichols

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The American National Research Report for July 1, 1955, on page 42 makes mention of an article appearing in the June American Legion magazine entitled "Are The Foundations Untouchable?" On the same page reference is also made to a report on Americans for Democratic Action published by the Senate Republican Policy Committee. In regard to both these items the Director noted, "Get a copy."

There is attached a copy of the June American Legion magazine, and the article "Are The Foundations Untouchable?" appears on page 18. There is also attached the Senate Republican Policy Committee Report on Americans for Democratic Action.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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CENSORSHIP IN SAN ANTONIO. The V.F.W., A and other patriotic organizations have a small Americanism job cut; San Antonio. Mrs. Jo Katherine Jones, a school teacher, attempted anti-Communist school play entitled "Brainwashed." Her principal, one JOHN D. SULLIVAN, banned the play on the specious grounds that the title was "controversial." Rev. Claud Bonam, a Baptist pastor read the play and found it carried a patriotic message. Newspaper accounts of controversies of this sort are notoriously one-sided or incomplete. Patriotic San Antonioans will presumably look into this affair and see that no anti-anti-Communist skulduggery is pulled off on Mrs. Jones.

BUSINESS WEEK EDITORIALIZES ON SOVIET INTENTIONS. Business Week is one of America's most influential and widely read magazines for businessmen. Its business and economic coverage is tops. However, a leading editorial in the May 28th issue leaves the anti-Communist expert wondering whether they have anyone on their staff who has even a beginner's elementary knowledge of world Communism and how it operates. The editorial entitled: "Why Russia Has To Bargain" should be clipped and saved for a year or two. Events unfolding in the next two years will then make this editorial look as fatuous and misleading as those of the New York Times and other pundits, who in 1917-18 predicted the early end of the Bolshevik regime being set up in Russia by two totally unknown revolutionaries named Lenin and Trotsky. In fact, some of these omniscient pundits kept predicting the early collapse of the Bolsheviks for ten or fifteen years longer.

The Business Week editorial is quite positive that the Soviets are faced with serious internal problems as well as formidable dikes and walls erected by the West, such as the Marshall plan, economic rehabilitation of West Europe, NATO, etc., etc. This accounts for Moscow's present attitude of sweet reasonableness and disposition to sit down and talk. The whole editorial is such a remarkable exercise in political illiteracy and bourgeois wishful "thinking" that it should be dissected and analyzed sentence by sentence. In fact, at the risk of sounding dogmatic it might be stated that there is a serious misconception, fallacy, non sequitur, puerile deduction, or howling error in nearly every other sentence. Space alone denies us that pleasure, but here are a few.

The opening sentence that: "Both the Soviet Union and the United States are ready to launch a determined and basic effort to settle their differences", betrays a total lack of understanding of the basic program and historic objective of the world Communist conspiracy -- the whole world under Soviet Communism. This objective of world domination first laid down by the Communist Internationale in 1919 and reiterated down through the years by Soviet leaders has never been withdrawn, revised or repudiated. IT STILL STANDS. The third sentence: "That means you can expect real results from the long series of international conferences that is just beginning", reads just like the glowing "come-on" promises in the Daily Worker and every other Communist publication. The truth or falsity of this prediction will be definitely established by events of the next year or two. The Communists love to talk and negotiate. Talk is cheap and promises like those of Yalta do not have to be kept. As cynical, unscrupulous conspirators they know

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appreciation to ALCOA, ALCOA Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pa. for dropping MURROW and cleaning the airwaves of his miasmic programs.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES. Write to Congressman Carroll Reece, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. for a supply of Congressional Record reprints of the June American Legion magazine article, "Are The Foundations Untouchable?" Or see that a copy of the Legion's magazine with this very important article is placed in your local high school and college libraries. Congressman Wayne Hays of Ohio, who sabotaged the investigation of foundations last year, tried in every way to suppress this reprint. He tried to bully a retraction from the American Legion magazine and got the same answer as McAuliffe gave the Nazis at Bastogne.

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Get a copy. H.
Mrs. Lucille Miller whose incarceration on a questionable commitment writ for alleged insanity was referred to in our last issue has been released on the order of the committing Judge, ERNEST GIBSON, of Brattleboro, Vermont. She has been directed to appear in Federal Court in connection with charges opposing the Selective Service Act.

CORRECTION. Former Senator GUY GILLETTE is not counsel of a Senate Judiciary Sub-Committee as we erroneously reported in our last issue but is counsel of a special sub-committee of the Senate Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION. Sometimes facetiously referred to as "Americans for the Destruction of America." The Senate Republican Policy Committee has published a 68 page report on this curious and powerful organization. Together with a number of appendices listing all financial contributors, including a few down in the Southwest. Supply is very short. Try Congressman Bruce Alger of Texas, or a Republican Senator. Very hard to get.

Get a copy. H.
AMERICAN NATIONAL RESEARCH maintains in Dallas the largest and most complete library and files in the Southwest on Communist and subversive activities and organizations. A NR specializes in research projects and is prepared to render expert advisory and consultative service in this highly specialized field.

Extra copies of current A N R Reports are available at four for a dollar, ten for two dollars, or thirty for five dollars. Please do not ask for back numbers. This offer includes the special reports which may be inserted in various issues.

Documented front records of several important clergymen compiled by Circuit Riders of Cincinnati, Ohio, are being mailed separately to all our regular subscribers gratis as part of their subscriptions.

OUR RECOMMENDED LIST of new books was crowded out of the last issue.

"The Tragedy of the Baltic States"

Frederick Praeger, New York

J. A. Swettenham

\$3.50

The tragic and little known story of Soviet mass murders and mass

"Behind the U. N. Front"

Alice Widener

The Bookmailer \$2

Another worthwhile book which because of its practically unknown publisher undoubtedly will become another blackout victim. Just what the United Nations means to you as an American - facts you won't find anywhere else.

"DEATH OF A SALESMAN" PLAYS AT WHITE SANDS, N.M.

ARTHUR MILLER, whose long Communist front record is a matter of common knowledge back East, has presumably collected some more nice royalties out of the Southwest. The Dionysia Society of White Sands Proving Grounds, New Mexico, last month put on his decadent play "DEATH OF A SALESMAN" previously covered in this Report. MILLER, one of whose plays was barred by the U. S. Army in Europe, has recently produced another lulu entitled, "The Crucible." This play revives the three century old Salem witch-hunt horror with the broad intimation that the same witch-burners are on the loose again today when they uncover an ALGER HISS in the State Department or the ROSENBERGS who helped the Soviets catch up on their atomic bomb development.

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REID ROBINSON DEFECTS. The former President of the Communist-dominated MINE, MILL and SMELTER UNION (fired out of the C.I.O.) is reported in New York trying to sell his story to the newspapers. He claims to have broken with the Commies and has plenty to tell. The Matusow fiasco, however, has made many of our government agencies exceedingly leery of such defectors now. Too bad, Reid! Tell it to the F.B.I. and a Congressional Committee first. Why did you wait so long?

THE UNITED NATIONS. Various public opinion polls, if accurate, show that roughly 80% or better of our citizens still support U. S. membership in the U. N. Even after the Korean "police action" debacle and the aftermath of some 480 American boys being illegally detained by the Chinese Reds. Most Americans never read or see the Daily Worker or its West Coast echo, the Daily Peoples World. It is both interesting to note and should also be thought-provoking that both these voices of treason, 100% faithful to the official Communist line as laid down in Moscow are currently devoting a large amount of their limited space to laudations and coverage of the U. N. 10th Anniversary at San Francisco. The Communists not only have no criticism whatever of the ten year record of the U. N. but are heartily in favor of the United Nations. Think that over!

OBITUARY - COUNCIL ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS. Scatch this front -- folded last week in New York. PAUL ROBESON, ALPHAES HUNTON, and W.E.B. DuBOIS comprising its Executive Board got together and publicly admitted that "continuing government harrassment makes further effective work by the organization impossible." The C.A.A. published "SPOTLIGHT ON AFRICA." If we know our fronts this one will soon blossom out under a nice new "clean" name with a lot of nice new "clean" names.

"THE INDIVIDUAL CAN PLAY AN ENORMOUS PART IN AWAKENING THE WEST. THE TROUBLE IS, WHEREVER THE COMMUNISTS ARE THE NON-COMMUNISTS EITHER GIVE THEMSELVES UP TO AN UNNECESSARY DESPAIR OR MERELY GRUMBLE."

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AUGUST 1

ARE THE COMMUNISTS DOWN-HEARTED? Not at all

Their cocky confidence in their ultimate victory in this country has never been higher. Practically all the news during the past two months has been good news as far as the Commies are concerned. Two years ago they began agitating for Big Four Conference -- the President of the United States finally gave in and went to Geneva. They insolently demanded that the government fire and cease using former party members as expert witnesses against them in trials and deportation hearings. The government has fired most of its ex-Communists who were the only witnesses positively able to place suspected Communists in the party for legal purposes.

The U. S. Supreme Court and various lower courts have stricken down or thrown out a number of cases involving Communists and fellow-travellers. HARRY BRIDGES won his latest court case after twenty years of costly legal effort to rid the country of him. The Department of Justice has dropped all proceedings against OWEN LATTIMORE. The power of Congressional Committees probing into subversive activities has been drastically curbed and restricted by new Supreme Court rulings highly favorable to Fifth Amendment Communists. Two Supreme Court justices denounced the government's loyalty and security program.

COMMUNISTS WINNING ON NEARLY ALL FRONTS. Most American newspapers have contracts with the AMERICAN NEWSPAPER GUILD. ANG members write the editorials and select and prepare the news you read. Pro-American elements in the Guild - never very strong or dominant in this union - last year tried to write an anti-Communist clause into the constitution. The Communists and their supporters worked hard all year to kill the new amendment. They did at the Albany, N. Y. convention last month. The Communists are naturally elated.

The AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TELEVISION AND RADIO ARTISTS (AFL) is composed of the top radio and TV entertainers that you see on TV or listen to on the radio. According to testimony before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee a few years ago this field has been heavily infested with notorious Communists. There has been a powerful and highly vocal bloc of lefties for many years in AFTRA and its predecessor, the AMERICAN FEDERATION OF RADIO ARTISTS.

In order to warn the public against the infiltration of this key and strategic industry, a small group of devoted Americans in radio and TV formed an anti-Communist organization named AWARE, INC. AWARE listed known Communists, and frontiers, and opposed them in AFTRA elections. AFTRA denounced this "black-listing" by a vote of 982 to 514. This means that nearly a thousand top, highly paid radio and TV artists whose jobs are made possible by your purchase of the products of their sponsors voted to condemn a group of loyal Americans trying to clean up the radio and TV industry. In other words, the Americans were outnumbered two to one by "yellow-travellers", too craven and yellow to do anything about Communists.

The Daily Worker and its various echoes in other journals are quite happy over President Eisenhower's suggestion that the exchange of farmers, weight-lifters, chess-players, and others between the United States and the U. S. S. R. be increased.

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Just what the Communists have been urging for the past thirty years. A recent visit by the editor of this Report to the Communist Workers Bookshop in New York showed no discernible change in the type of literature displayed and sold. He has been a regular visitor to this bookshop for the past 23 years. Despite convictions and various restrictive laws, the Communists continue to publish and sell every single revolutionary item (and a lot of new ones) that they have put out for years. All Soviet published literature stopped in the mails by the U. S. Customs to subscribers can be bought even today at this bookshop of sedition.

The Daily Worker also gurgled with joy over the news that Khrushchev and Bulganin are visiting Great Britain next year. As America usually follows - the lead of the British Foreign Office on such matters, the Communists know that it means a visit to the United States later by the two top heirs of "good old Uncle Joe". Are the Communists down-hearted? Not at all! Everything is going swimmingly for them. The Communist-dominated UE NEWS exulted that "the tide of public opinion in our country has turned against McCarthyism". ("McCarthyism" being the dirty word for any form of anti-Communism.)

AFTERMATH TO GENEVA. In finally deciding to bow to Communist-inspired and left-liberal pressure for a "Big Four Conference" the Administration apparently overlooked one serious complication. By hob-nobbing as social and moral equals with the Soviet big brass at Geneva, the Administration by inference has also put the seal of official approval at the very highest level on every last American Communist and subversive. The Subversive Activities Control Board in 1953 in its Findings of Fact found that

"From its inception in 1919 it (The Communist Party, USA) has been a subsidiary and puppet of the Soviet Union. Since the late 1930's when it was faced with adverse legislation, the Respondent (C. P., USA) has become increasingly diligent and resourceful in its efforts to appear as a domestic political party while continuing its subservience to the Soviet Union. Upon the overwhelming weight of the evidence in this proceeding, we find the Respondent (C. P., USA) is substantially directed, dominated, and controlled by the Soviet Union, which controls the world Communist movement referred to in Section 2 of the Act; and that the Respondent operates primarily to advance the objectives of such world Communist movement."

The Smith Act, the Internal Security Act of 1950, and every other law of the land under which Communists have been convicted and sent to jail or denied certain other rights and privileges of citizenship are based squarely upon the de jure fact that American Communists ipso facto are stooges and loyal servants of the U.S.S.R. and world Communist movement. It will be ridiculous from now on to go into court and try to prove that American Communists are dangerous subversives bent upon the destruction of our government and way of life, when we no longer designate and regard their bosses in Moscow as evil men. It is both absurd and stultifying to deny Communists passports, armed forces commissions, or access to defense plants on the grounds that they are dangerous to the security of this country when our top leadership exchanges champagne toasts and friendly pats on the back with the very Soviet bosses from whom these American Communists get their orders. In law as in common sense you cannot say that a servant is evil for carrying out the orders of a master whom you hold blameless of any evil.

We have here a very simple proposition that any man in the street can readily understand. If the Soviet leaders are no longer sinister evil men bent upon world domination and the destruction of the United States, then their lowly followers and sympathizers in this country can present no real danger. If the thirty-eight year old policy and objectives of the Soviet regime in Russia to spread Communism all over the world now suddenly has been scrapped, revised, or quietly dropped, WHY HAVE THEY NOT OPENLY SAID SO AT GENEVA? If the Lenin-Stalin objectives of world revolution no longer guide the Kremlin, why do not Bulganin and Khrushchev simply say so and thus lay aside all world worry and tension. And then follow up such a declaration of revocation of world Communist objectives by ordering the disbandment of the world-wide Communist movement.

The simple facts that any American schoolboy should be able to understand was that Eisenhower, Dulles, and the other Western leaders met with thieves and murderers at Geneva. When you sit down with thieves, robbers, and mass murderers the agenda is already drawn up for both sides. There is nothing for honorable men to argue or compromise about. Restitution of all stolen property, adequate compensation for all lives wantonly destroyed, freedom for all peoples enslaved, a sincere expression of contrition, punishment for the chief criminals, and a firm iron-clad stipulation against further evil-doing. Discussing anything else is merely to condone evil and immorality and to compound with interest all the death and evil that Communism has unloosed on this unhappy world since 1917.

Nazism, Fascism, and Japanese imperialism had to be totally destroyed as menaces to the free world. Their leaders were not even permitted to negotiate a surrender. Communism is not to be destroyed... somehow we must learn to accommodate ourselves to it by "co-existence". Are we asked to believe that it is a lesser evil? If it is as equally obnoxious and abhorrent to free men as the other forms of totalitarianism, then why the yellow-livered appeasement of this monstrous evil? What has happened to our national leadership that it can no longer produce men of integrity who understand moral law?... or leaders of sufficient intelligence to understand the nature of Communism by spending a few hours in serious study of the subject?

THE CURRENT COMMUNIST PARTY LINE. Political Affairs, formerly The Communist, is the main media through which the American branch of the world Communist conspiracy passes Moscow's orders and directives to the party faithful in this country. The Daily Worker handles some news including even sports and it is used to convey the simpler parts of the "line" to the lower echelons of the C. P., USA. Political Affairs is studiously followed by all the top party elite and secret sympathizers and supporters. These secret sympathizers and supporters, passing for non-Communists as ministers, newspapermen, radio and TV commentators, and others with access to mass communications media, disguise, deodorize, and glamorize the "line" of the Communist Party to make it acceptable to non-Communists under a "progressive-liberal" packaging.

One of the astonishing facts about Communists is their extraordinary ability to bamboozle and use as unwitting dupes great masses of non-Communists and even people who fancy themselves "anti-Communists". You can study this phenomenon yourself and see it actually work out by knowing what the latest shift in the party line is and then watching it crop up in sermons, editorials, articles, and newscasts by people supposedly having no truck whatever with Communists.

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HERE IS THE CITY LINE. Political Affairs for July carried this very important C. P. directive by MARTHA STONE. It should be read by every American interested in protecting this country against further Communist befuddlement and chicanery. Here are the primary Soviet objectives as laid down in the publication religiously followed by all top Communists. Watch for these directives to pop up in circles where you would never suspect the C. P. line could be insinuated. 1. Disarmament of West Germany. (This has top Soviet priority and was the main reason for Geneva.) 2. Outlaw all atomic and thermo-nuclear weapons. (Purpose - to reduce America to conventional weapons where we will be hopelessly outnumbered by military forces of Russia, China, and satellites based on an 800,000,000 population.) 3. Seat Red China in the United Nations and abandon the Nationalist Chinese Government to destruction. 4. Abolish N. A. T. O. and all U. S. bases abroad. 5. End the cold war -- from the American side, that is. 6. Insist that Eisenhower and Dulles continue negotiations until settlements are reached. (Insist that your government keep talking and negotiating with the Soviets until the latter have everything they want. Stopping short anywhere of total appeasement is, of course, to be construed as keeping up world tensions and "war-mongering".) 7. Oppose all appeasement of McCarthy and Knowland. (This means continue the drive to destroy all real anti-Communists and other pro-American spokesmen.) 8. Expand East-West trade. (Give China and Russia all the critical materials and weapons they need for further expansion and aggression.) 9. Allocate government expenditures for peace, not war. (In so many words, "disarm America" in order to make the next Soviet move safer and easier.)

This is the nine-point Soviet program for weakening and ultimately destroying the United States. Save this issue of ANR REPORT and watch for these various slogans and ideas to crop up where you would never suspect it. Show it to your friends, relatives, and associates who innocently echo parts of this official Soviet propaganda. Refer them to the MARTHA STONE article in July's Political Affairs. With patience and kindness explain to them how odd it is that they should unwittingly and in all innocence be parroting the same line as the top Communist manual of directives in this country lays down for dyed-in-the-wool Communists. Ask them frankly if they ever read any publications like this which specialize in keeping Americans informed on Soviet foreign policy and the "line" as laid down by the C. P., USA. Then convince them that if they admittedly do not understand Communism and do not know what the "party line" is that it is very easy to swallow someone else's version of it.

IMPORTANT NOTICES. The California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities has just issued its Eighth Report, 1955. Consisting of 622 pages, it also contains a new cumulative index to all previous hearings since 1943. Communist infiltration of the medical profession in California and also public utilities takes up a great part of this Eighth Report. Requests for copies should be addressed to the Secretary, Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities, State Capitol, Sacramento, California.

WHO PROMOTED PERESS? While Senator McCarthy was probing the Peress case the left-liberal smearbund made a great nation-wide to-do about alleged injustice and bias involved in the Senator's investigation of just who promoted this Communist dentist to a Major in the Army. When Senator McClellan took over the Chairmanship, he re-opened this case and thoroughly probed every angle and aspect. When his Democratic-controlled committee filed its report, it verified everything that Senator McCarthy has uncovered. The report is available at Room 160, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. Senate Sub-Committee on Investigations - Mrs. Anderson.

THE PARTY LINE gets into the staunchly pro-American Chicago Tribune. The following paragraph, part of an AP dispatch, appeared on page 22 of the August 17th issue of the Tribune. Read it carefully and see if you note anything wrong.

"Belfrage was deported under the Walter-McCarran Immigration Act for his refusal to answer questions relating to his political beliefs and professional activities during a Senate Committee inquiry headed by Senator McCarthy (R., Wisc.)"

Belfrage, a British-born alien Communist, illegally in this country, appeared before the Senate Sub-Committee on Investigations on May 14, 1953. He was questioned on the following "political beliefs" not by Senator McCarthy, who was not even in the room, but by Senator Symington.

"But the question is very simple. The question is first, are you a member of the Communist Party? Secondly, do you believe in the overthrow of the United States Government? And third, if you will not answer either of those questions: whether or not you think you have the right to take the advantages of living in America as an alien resident?"

Chairman Symington, repeat not McCarthy, then stated: "I think we ought to look into the question of how this man got into the United States, and what the questions were that he answered when he got in, and how 'e answered them." Belfrage also took the 5th Amendment when asked whether he had ever engaged in espionage against the U.S. The AP dispatch either forgot to mention this or considered it part of the alien Communist's "political beliefs and professional activities."

It should be easy for the Chicago Tribune and the Associated Press to trace the originator of this dispatch. He left two bad clues. The proper name of the immigration act in the McCarran-Walter Act. The Communist press began changing it last March after Senator McCarran's death to "Walter-McCarran Act" in order to focus left-liberal hatred and attention on Walter's name. The second clue is a dead giveaway to the unknown AP newsman's source of inspiration and terminology. Let us see how the Daily Worker for August 16 handled this item the day before the AP filing line:

"Belfrage's deportation was demanded in May, 1953, by Senator Joseph R. McCarthy when Belfrage refused to answer questions relating to his personal beliefs and professional activities during a McCarthy inquiry into the SHAEF press project in occupied Germany."

Our AP crypto-Communist fell into a trap when he literally lifted from the Daily Worker without checking the record, the charge that Senator McCarthy was chairman at the time Belfrage ducked all questions with the Fifth Amendment. The Communist daily is usually very careful, it had undoubtedly read the official report and knew that Senator Symington was in the chair and had questioned Belfrage and suggested his deportation. But it wanted to hang the onus for this "martyr of

the press" case on McCarthy and not on Symington. So it simply perverted the record not dreaming that by so doing it was trapping and exposing one of its many stooges and secret sympathizers.

This very interesting case of presumably bona fide AP dispatch being nothing more than a straight lift from the Daily Worker is really not so surprising after all. Communist infiltration of the American press has never been gone into even casually by any Congressional investigating committee, until recently. The Fifth Estate has always enjoyed a sort of trans-Yalu sanctuary because of the artificially-created smokescreen that an inquiry into how many crypto-Communists were safely holed up in the press of the country would immediately be distorted into an "attack on the free press and a violation of the 1st Amendment."

Back in 1947 the AMERICAN NEWSPAPER GUILD held a very revealing election. JOHN McMANUS, a party-liner, and JOHN F. RYAN, an admitted Communist, ran for the two top offices in the newspaper union started by HEYWOOD BROUN. They were opposed and narrowly defeated by two avowed anti-Communists. The election was a straight Communist versus anti-Communist issue. The Daily Worker, Morning Freiheit, Salute, and In Fact cast 100% solid votes for the Communists. The New York Journal, World-Telegram, Daily News, Herald-Tribune and a few others cast substantial anti-Communist majorities. The Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee presently probing press infiltration by the Reds might profitably study the A. N. G. election returns from the New York Times, Associated Press, Mirror, Look, Newsweek, PM and Time, which cast heavy majorities for the two Communist-favored candidates. Several thousand editorial workers on these and other important periodicals published in New York, placed themselves on record as pro-Communist as far back as 1947.

ARE WE A NATION OF SUCKERS? Sophisticated Europeans are inclined to regard Americans as political children -- naive and gullible beyond words as far as the hard realities of world politics are concerned. With the departure of the Soviet "farm mission" for Canada and the U. S. S. R. and the return of our own farmers from the land of the Soviets, a few comments on this useless and indecent experiment seem in order. In the first place, it was not an even exchange. Had it been the Soviets would not have been interested. The Americans who went to study agriculture in Russia were all bona fide farmers. None were trained anti-Communist observers or intelligence experts. Had they been, they would never have received visas from the Soviet Secret police. They were wine and dined to a point of protest. They were typical Americans and as good fellows and guests in a foreign land presumably did not ask any awkward questions about slave labor camps, the Secret Police and how it works, and all the other trappings of the Communist apparatus for terror and suppression. When they returned they admitted they had seen nothing and learned nothing of any value to American agriculture, but that the smoked sturgeon, champagne, and caviar were superlative.

What of the Russkies who toured Iowa? According to the AMERICAN FRIENDS OF RUSSIAN FREEDOM, INC: "They were not farmers -- or peasants, to use the Soviet term -- but government officials of high rank, travelling under the vigilant control of the MVD (secret police) agents within the delegation. They represent the regime deeply hated by nearly all Russian peasants and the Red agricultural system against which the peasants have fought with heroic desperation. The men we are entertaining are the jailors and slavemasters over the farmers in whose name they have the effrontery to speak."

The open-hearted and friendly hospitality lavished on these Soviet scoundrels

by the naive and trusting farmers of Iowa was naturally photographed and rushed back to Moscow for propaganda purposes. The Communist oppressors of Russia showed these pictures all over Soviet Russia as an expression of high esteem by American farmers and common people for the Soviet state. The embittered and enslaved Soviet people naturally were stunned and shocked that their torturers and slavemasters were received in America with open arms.

Had the truth been known several of these smirking and pseudo-genial "Soviet farmers" were probably the same bureaucrats who helped "liquidate the kulaks as a class" in the Ukraine in the early '30's when an estimated five to six million Russian small farmers and their families were starved to death by the greatest man-made famine in all history in order to break their will and acquire their land for mass collectivization. In other words, the poor farmers of Iowa probably entertained in their homes as honored guests blood-soaked mass murderers.

Barmine, Kravchenko, Bogolepov, and a number of other defectors from the Soviets have all sworn under oath that every Soviet mission sent to this country is either entirely manned with spies or heavily infested with intelligence officers posing as "technicians," "engineers," "purchasing agents" and other similar covers. The simple Iowa farmers who cooked up picnics and jolly dinners for these Soviet officials posing as "farmers" should have been told the simple but cruel facts of life despite the State Department's encouragement of this contemptible fraud.

In this government-sponsored exchange of agricultural experts, who gained and who lost? How gullible and simple-minded can you get when confronted with swindles of this type? Are we always to remain a nation of suckers? Or, as the Communists call us, "bourgeois idiots."

PAUL CROUCH - back on the mainland from Hawaii with a fighting chance for his life. A victim of lung cancer, Paul was flown to the University of California Hospital at Berkeley, where treatment with a multi-million volt X-ray is available. ANR REPORT readers who made donations to the stricken family will be happy to know that their generosity made it possible for Mrs. Crouch to accompany her husband. Paul is unable to walk.

Dr. Fred Schwarz of Australia stopped off in Hawaii to visit Paul. The Australian anti-Communist is no stranger to Texas or anti-Communists in the Southwest. Crouch has been the chief target of probably the most concentrated and vicious smear attack ever launched in this country against an outstanding Communist fighter. As a key government witness in many cases against Communists, Paul drew the black spot as it were when he helped the F.B.I. and Atomic Energy Commission tie up their case against J. ROBERT OPPENHEIMER. Headed by the Allslop brothers, the whole well-organized and well-financed anti-anti-Communist cabal moved into action to destroy one valiant man who lacked both money and organizational connections with which to fight back.

Harpers Magazine, which once enjoyed a high reputation, published a dishonest and scurrilous article by RICHARD H. ROVERE in which Crouch was the main target together with several other outstanding anti-Communists. The Ford Foundation's FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC then ran off reprints and distributed them gratuitously far and wide. The whole left-liberal jackal pack was after Paul's blood. They need not have bothered -- without work and income, Paul's health failed and cancer took over the job that DREW PEARSON, the ALLSLOPS and others of the same ilk had started.

Mrs. Crouc lress is 2333 Fulton S rkeley, California.
Send Paul a cheery note or card at that address.

THE SOUTHERNER. Sub-titled "The Voice of the People" is published monthly at Dalton, Georgia. No. 5 is dated July, 1955. Rev. C. T. PRATT and Rev. DONALD L. WEST are listed as publishers. AUBREY WILLIAMS is a contributing editor. Definitely "progressive" in tone although the Rev. C. T. PRATT is listed as "National Moderator" of the Church of God of the Union Assembly.

Other contributing editors are listed as Dr. ALVA W. TAYLOR, BYRON HERBERT REECE, BUFORD W. POSEY and HOWARD BOWLING. HAROLD SOWDER and JACK GILES are listed as Staff Reporters.

The Rev. C. T. PRATT was a sponsor of the Communoid BILL OF RIGHTS CONFERENCE held in 1949 at the Henry Hudson Hotel in New York. Dr. ALVA TAYLOR of Nashville, Tennessee, has a long front record going back to 1938 when he was secretary of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE. TAYLOR has been affiliated with or supported the PROTESTANT, PEOPLES INSTITUTE FOR APPLIED RELIGION, AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE FOREIGN BORN, AMERICAN CONTINENTAL CONGRESS FOR PEACE, BILL OF RIGHTS CONFERENCE as well as signing appeals for amnesty for convicted Communists and other Communist causes. The Rev. DONALD WEST also has a front record.

"AMERICA IS DOOMED UNLESS THE PEOPLE WAKE UP"
The Right Rev. William C. McGrath, S.F.M., recently delivered a speech under the above title which the Brooklyn Tablet reprinted in its July 30th issue. An anti-Communist expert, knowing all the facts, would be hard put to improve on the Monsignor's remarkable address. It is an absolute "must" for all Americans concerned over the present crisis and anxious to do something tangible. The Tablet, 1 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, New York, has reprinted this razor-sharp address at five cents for a single copy or 100 for a dollar. Distribute this among your friends and mail out with your letters.

WHO READS THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD?

A generation or two ago every well-equipped school and college library carried the Congressional Record. It was usually displayed in a prominent and readily accessible place. The proceedings of the Congress, the supreme law-making body of the land, were considered first priority reading by every citizen. How many of us today, swamped by the tidal wave of printed matter ever glance at the Congressional Record? You are missing some very important speeches and other matter having a vital bearing on your future if you do not. It is also interesting to see what the great press wire associations do with many controversies in Congress on highly important issues. Whose speeches and views are played up and broadcast all over the land; whose are misquoted, distorted or simply ignored. Senator McCarthy, for example, made some remarkably fine addresses on Geneva during the closing days of Congress. You probably knew and heard nothing about them. See the C.R. and keep up with what is going on in Washington that ELMER DAVIS, DREW PEARSON, MARQUIS CHILDS, ERIC SEVAREID, THOMAS STOKES, MARTIN AGRONSKY, the N. Y. TIMES and others of the same school don't bother to tell you about.

OUR NEXT ISSUE WILL CARRY SOME INTERESTING TID-BITS FROM
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S. M. U. PREXY FLUNKS ELEMENTARY TEST. Friends of Dr. WILLIS TATE and those who wished him well when he assumed the presidency of SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY are keenly disappointed and disillusioned by his stand on the FREEDOM AGENDA forum now holding weekly sessions on his campus. There was no compelling reason whatever which forced S. M. U. to play academic host to this highly questionable FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC diversionary show. The Dallas co-sponsors, the LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS and the Junior Bar Association, could have "hired a hall" elsewhere as the saying goes. The main object of all such anti-anti-Communist projects is precisely to cloak their activities under an academic prestige mantle as "cover". 66541

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The fact that Dr. Tate either did not understand this elementary lesson or else did not care rates him a nice zero on his first examination paper entitled "Do you know anything about how subversives operate?" Do we mean to imply by this that the FREEDOM AGENDA is in itself "subversive?" The answer naturally, is, "No" -- at least by present government standards of rating subversive organization. The correct answer is another question which each reader must decide for himself. "Are the football players who block out the tacklers, on the same team as the man carrying the ball or are they really on the same side as the would-be tacklers they block aside?" Or, are they really on neither team but merely well-meaning and idealistic champions of the grand old American game who are trying to abolish pernicious malpractices, professionalism, and other gridiron abuses? What do you think?

The security agencies of the Federal government, various state investigative agencies, Congressional committees, patriotic organizations, and others (concerned over internal subversion) are trying hard to down the Reds carrying the Moscow ball. They find themselves blocked away from the Red ball-carrier by swarms of hard-hitting interference runners who claim to have no connection whatever with or even sympathy for the commy running with the ball. Pretending to have the ball in order to divert attention away from the real ball-carrier is an old, old backfield device known as "diversion". FREEDOM AGENDAS and all other such schemes which in effect distract attention away from the communist conspiracies are similarly diversionary and the sooner the average American, including college presidents, begins to understand this really very simple proposition the better for the future of this country.

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The FREEDOM AGENDA consists of ten weekly forum discussion meetings using six FREEDOM AGENDA booklets as guides. The six booklets were published by the CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT FOUNDATION, an offshoot or subsidiary of the LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS. More on the latter organization later. The CATT FOUNDATION admits that "the program has been made possible by a grant from the FUND for the REPUBLIC". Most Americans who have listened to Fulton Lewis' recent broadcasts on this organization now know all about the FUND for the REPUBLIC, who is running it and its main objective -- the attacking and discrediting of all counter-subversive action either by the government or by private organization. Recently, National Commander Seaborn Collins of the American Legion warned all Legionnaires against lending it any support or assistance.

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Those desiring further information on this FORD FOUNDATION, \$15,000,000 baby should read Congressman Carroll Reece's report, available gratis to all ANR REPORT subscribers.

THE SIX FREEDOM AGENDA PAMPHLETS were prepared by ZECHARIAH CHAFEE, Jr., ALAN WESTIN, JACK PELTASON, ROBERT K. CARR, ALFRED H. KELLY, and T. V. SMITH. None would seriously make any pretense to being an anti-Communist expert and none has any known record of exposing and combatting subversion. ZECHARIAH CHAFEE, Jr. has a long Communist front record which Metropolitan Post #581, American Legion of Dallas has compiled.

It is obviously impossible in the limits of this newsletter to make a thorough analysis of all six pamphlets. All are uniformly pseudo-objective and ultra scholarly in tone. The Chafee treatise can be dismissed as "typically Chafeeian". The Harvard pro-Communist has not changed his thirty-five year old line of opposition to any and all legal efforts to curb and restrict subversion. Modern day Communists by innuendo and inference are represented as merely carrying out man's age old struggle against conformity and tyranny.

The Westin booklet, "The Constitution and Loyalty Programs", is probably the least noxious of the six yet it contains some truly remarkable exercises in twisted logic and special pleading. One sample will suffice. The twenty-six year old Mr. Westin, presumably fresh out of some institute of higher learning, comes up with this gem--"Christ was disloyal to Rome, while Judas, betraying his Master, was loyal to the state". Ignoring the no small question of religion, the awkward matter of historical perspective, and complete political non-similarity we are presumably to deduce that American Communists by being disloyal to the state are analogous to Jesus Christ. Those Americans who are loyal to their government by infiltrating the Communist conspiracy and "betraying" its secrets to their own government are "amalgamated" in the very best Communist style with Judas. This truly fascinating exercise in contorted logic can hardly be original with the erudite ALAN WESTIN and is presumably a jewel of purest reasoning that he carried away from his alma mater and some sly dialectical prof.

The CARR and PELTASON contributions are worse than Mr. Westin's literary effort. Prof. ROBERT K. CARR is a political science professor at Dartmouth whose chief claim to anti-anti-Communist distinction is a sordid and slanted book attacking the House Committee on Un-American activities which has all the earmarks of having been "written to order" on some foundation grant.

All six of the booklets are ingeniously contrived diversionary tracts. Communism and internal subversion is either completely ignored or glossed over, minimized, or de-emphasized. This is done through the simple device of creating a tremendous bugaboo about "vanishing civil liberties", "whittling away of Constitutional guarantees, hysteria and exaggerated fear of Communism", and all the other tiresome and all-too-familiar stereotypes and worn-out cliches of the anti-anti-Communists, diversionaries, and confusionists.

Like scorpions, the FREEDOM AGENDA sextuplets, carry their deadliest sting in their "Suggested Reading" supplements. Chafee's opus recommends books by FRANCIS BIDDLE, JACK PELTASON, and HENRY STEELE COMMAGER. Peltason returns the favor by boosting CHAFEE, COMMAGER, WALTER GELLHORN, and THOMAS EMERSON. Westin plugs EMERSON, ELEANOR BONTECOU, ALAN BARTH, and MORRIS ORNST. The Kelly and T. V. Smith booklets both laud

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the long side of ence.

Only one, the Westin Pamphlet, even mentions the existence of government reports and hearings on Communism, and this reference is only to the reports on Interlocking Subversion by the Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee. The fact that there is a great mass of documented government material available on subversion is simply ignored as irrelevant and presumably outside of the area of discussion. Yea, verily, the pseudo-liberal mind with its constant wails for "academic freedom" and the right to hear unpopular views is a most fearful and wondrous mechanism to behold.

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WHAT ABOUT THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS? The FREEDOM AGENDA is jointly sponsored in Dallas by the Junior Bar Association and the LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS. The National Republic for August, 1954, ran a definitive article by Dr. Felix Wittmer on this interesting organization. It was very appropriately entitled "How Far To The Left Is the League of Women Voters?" The Wittmer study left very little doubt that the LEAGUE for WOMEN VOTERS generally sails under a left rudder. More important, however, is the fact that while some left-liberal organizations will sometimes take an anti-Soviet or anti-Communist position, no one would seriously make that claim for the League.

The LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS was organized in 1919 by the Militant suffragette Carrie Chapman Catt, a pacifist and internationalist. She remained its president until her death in 1947 and largely determined its course and orientation. Dr. Wittmer's article cites her rather extensive Communist front record. The Wittmer article should also be consulted for the record of this organization's consistent affinity for decidedly left causes and enterprises. It is to be regretted that the National Republic article is not available in reprints. The LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS most positively would not be found in any national coalition of patriotic societies.

"ACADEMIC FREEDOM" FOR WHICH SIDE? Speaking before a Kiwanis luncheon, Dr. Tate said that S. M. U. "was willing to run all the risks to maintain educational freedom and truth". He also thought that a great university was "the last bulwark of freedom in America". (Things have evidently come to a very sorry state of affairs without most of us realizing it.) The worthy prexy also opined that "many people do not trust truth. They do not believe in the American tradition of open discussion. They would like to shut off discussion of anything controversial. They would intimidate by name-calling".

Are these the brave words of the noble head of great university almost entirely engulfed by the black tide of totalitarianism or merely the platitudinous cliches so characteristic of the professional educationists? We leave it to you to decide but cannot resist observing that the same words could just as easily have come from the mouth of Robert Maynard Hutchins, Dean Griswold of Yale, or Nathan Pusey of Harvard. All crafts and professions have their own peculiar idiom and patterns of speech and Dr. Tate's, we regret to say, sounds exactly like a homily by the N. E. A. or American Council on Education.

It is one of the conceits of the schoolmen that they and they alone are above the partisanship, bias, and venality of baser elements of our society. Like the Vestal Virgins they guard the sacred flame of truth and propagation of ideas so vital to the advancement of human knowledge. "Free discussion and truth" Dr. Tate told his Kiwanis audience were the reasons why S. M. U. had extended its welcome

to the FREEDOM AG' DA. "Free discussion", if we understand the English language, would properly mean an equal and impartial presentation of both sides of a controversy. Has S.M.U. ever conducted any counter-subversive seminars or forums or has it gone out of its way to invite anti-Communist experts and government security officials to give America's side of the story. And what happens to "TRUTH" and "free discussion" when the campus is denied to a Senator McCarthy on "political" grounds but thrown open to Senator Kefauver?

If we are correctly informed, Herbert Philbrick was once invited to address a student group at S.M.U. and it is possible that one or two other anti-Communists may have appeared before small extra-mural gatherings. S.M.U.'s score in this respect is nothing to boast about. Which recalls a statement once made by Dr. J. B. Matthews to a counter-subversive seminar in West Virginia under American Legion auspices. During the ten or more years prior to his break with Communists fronts in 1935, Dr. Matthews received on an average of 250 invitations every year to address college groups throughout the United States. This was while he was the leading and foremost organizer of Communist fronts in this country. After his break with the Communists and after he became Director of Research for the old Dies Committee in 1938 he stated flatly he had received exactly three invitations from institutions of "higher learning" in a period of fifteen years. DO THE AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WANT THE TRUTH AND FREE DISCUSSION ABOUT SOVIET ESPIONAGE AND INTRIGUE IN THIS COUNTRY, COMMUNISM, FRONT ORGANIZATIONS AND RELATED QUESTIONS MENACING THE VERY EXISTENCE OF THIS NATION? What price "academic freedom"?

AFTERMATHS OF GENEVA. Our August 15th issue (No. 13) warned that Communists here at home would logically demand an end to all repressive legislation and restrictions in the light of "new climate of Geneva". It makes no sense to classify American Communists as dangerous subversives for carrying on activities ordered by their masters in Moscow when the Administration sits down with Soviet rulers as moral equals and refuses to draw up an indictment of their international gangsterism. Three hundred and sixty "notable" Americans have now signed an amicus curiae brief with the U. S. Supreme Court urging that tribunal to void the Internal Security Act of 1950 and thus end further prosecution of Communists under that law. One, no less, was United States Senator, PATRICK V. McNAMARA of Michigan.

The Daily Worker proudly listed sixty-seven signers but the more coy and modest N.Y. Times printed only nine. Many are veteran, old time Communists and most of the others have appeared on other fronts. The Brooklyn Tablet for September 24th printed the whole list of 360. The address of the Tablet is 1 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N.Y. and single copies are ten cents plus postage. The Southwest contributed only eight signers, one--Prof. J. FRANK DOBIE of the University of Texas according to the Daily Worker was an "Initiator" of the brief. The others follow:

Miss ISOBEL B. ALLEN, Albuquerque, New Mexico
WITTER BYNNER, Santa Fe, New Mexico
Dr. WILLIAM WELLS DENTON, Tucson, Arizona
Prof. LAWRENCE F. H. LOWE, Tucson, Arizona
Rev. WALTER A. MCMULLEN, Tucson, Arizona
Miss CLARA RADOFF, Houston, Texas
WILSON A. SHUMWAY, Shumway, Arizona

The September 24th issue of the Tablet also contains an excellent two page study of the Murphy Committee's UNESCO report.

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HUMANE MOVEMENT INFILTRATED. A. N. R. E
SIVE! When the following infiltration story was first reported to us we questioned its reliability. However, all allegations have been checked a hand, eye witness sources interviewed. The American Humane Association, seventy-nine years old, is presently being torn by a violent internal struggle unquestionably was originally sparked by a very small clique under the leadership of at least one known Communist and some others of doubtful ideological background. This small handful of "reformers", as is usually the case, succeeded in bamboozling a much larger circle of sincere and honestly intentioned but badly misguided folk genuinely interested in the humane movement.

The baited hook was the old, old communist lure of "reform" or a more energetic and dynamic program of anti-cruelty work all over the United States than the present "Old Guard" was doing. The editor of this report heard exactly the same line used by secret Communists in unions in New York twenty-five years ago.

At this point most readers will naturally ask "But even if true, of what possible value would control of the humane movement in this country be to the Communist conspiracy?" For an authoritative answer we queried an ex-Communist leader who had been trained in Moscow thirty years ago as a Comintern agent and who was also a member of the American secretariat of the Communist International at Moscow advising the Russians on America. He has appeared in many government hearings and trials as an expert. His reply was in substance as follows:

"At the present state American Communists are under orders to infiltrate and attempt to secure secret control of peace, humane, religious, and similar organizations devoted to idealistic causes rather than to set up new fronts. Fronts are now in bad repute and too easily spotted and exposed. The further such organizations are removed from mundane political objectives the better. Old and highly respected organizations with substantial treasuries and weak and loose national controls are naturally preferred to those with alert anti-Communist leadership or empty treasuries."

The American Humane Association reportedly has some four million dollars in endowments and other funds.

THE 1954 ATLANTA CONVENTION. The American Humane Association held its convention last year in Atlanta in October. Those who attended reported an amazing and highly disturbing development. For the first time in its history a meeting was stalled and dragged out until nearly 6 A.M. For the first time in A. H. A. history a highly respected Director and a Federal Judge was lustily booed and heckled. There was an obvious centrally controlled and directed floor faction operating like a well-oiled piece of machinery. As one delegate later expressed it: "We were like a flock of bewildered sheep suddenly cut to pieces by a pack of wolves".

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A whole busload of strange, new members arrived from New York and New Jersey. They were solidly for "reform" and against the administration. There was also a surprising influx of totally new and unknown members from Atlanta and nearby.

There were all the old and familiar parliamentary tricks of confusion so dear to the heart of a Communist fraction. Amendments to amendments until people finally forgot the original motion or voted for something they were actually against. Endless and confusing "points of order" or "personal privilege". (Many of the A. H. A. older members were elderly ladies of genteel background who were hardly trained or experienced in this sort of dirty "in-fighting" so familiar to trades unionists plagued with secret Communist fractions.

MR. FRED MYERS RESURFACES. The Atlanta convention was the culmination of a long smoldering situation that had started back in 1951 when the American Humane Association had hired one FRED MYERS. It is a great pity that so few organizations and so few American businessmen understand or care so little about subversion that they do not even subscribe to or read anti-Communist newsletters and other sources of information. The small sum of \$24 for a subscription to Counterattack would certainly have saved the American Humane Association a lot of headaches and grief. Counterattack, one of our oldest newsletters on subversion, as far back as July 23, 1948 had published an item that a Mr. FRED MYERS had just been hired by the New York Central Railroad to head its public relations office in Cleveland. It also charged that Mr. MYERS had been connected with several Communist fronts as a paid officer and that he had been fired from the editorship of the AMERICAN NEWSPAPER GUILD REPORTER on the grounds that his editorials too closely followed the Communist Party line.

Counterattack also quoted from the N. Y. World Telegram of July 19, 1948, which called MYERS a "fellow traveller". The World-Telegram alleged that MYERS had been Executive Director of the AMERICAN-RUSSIAN INSTITUTE, later cited as subversive and Communist by the Attorney General of the United States. The Soviets had conferred the Order of the Red Banner on Mr. MYERS. The N. Y. Central promptly rid itself of Mr. MYERS. There is no record that he ever brought suit against either publication.

Mr. MYERS next turns up in the American Humane Association. A paid official of A. H. A., one LARRY ANDREWS apparently had recommended Mr. MYERS. ANDREWS, needless to add, later turned up as a leader of the "reform" faction. He is alleged to be an ardent "share-the-wealth" proponent in that he advocated taking money from the richer humane societies and giving it to the poorer and smaller local organizations. Indeed one of the pet projects promised by the "reform" bloc was that they would spend the accumulated four million dollars in the treasury of the American Humane Association on a vastly stepped up anti-cruelty program. One of the "share-the-wealth" proponents even brazenly boasted "We are going to spend the four million dollars which it took the Old Guard seventy-five years to accumulate and when it is all gone they can go out and raise another four million".

A NEW RIVAL AND DUAL ORGANIZATION SET UP. After the Atlanta convention Messrs. MYERS and ANDREWS and a close associate, HELEN JONES, were promptly fired by the A. H. A. But the damage had already been done as they had not only succeeded in seducing a substantial number of

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members over to their side but they also apparently took with them the membership lists. They immediately set up a new rival organization, the NATIONAL HUMANE SOCIETY. As the American Humane Association's official journal was called the NATIONAL HUMANE REVIEW, the obvious intent was to trade on the already established good name and prestige of the older organization.

Badly alarmed by the sudden invasion of new members with \$5 cards at the Atlanta convention the Board of Directors of the A. H. A. tried to tighten up its by-laws and called for a special emergency meeting at Seattle. They reckoned without the highly developed talent for legal monkeyshines for which lefties are noted. The Myers-Andrews faction quickly secured an injunction in Washington, D. C. from a Federal judge. The attorney of the newly founded NATIONAL HUMANE SOCIETY turns out to be no less than the redoubtable ABE FORTAS himself! FORTAS was a member of the National Committee of the INTERNATIONAL JURIDICAL ASSOCIATION, cited as subversive and Communist by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as well as the NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD, likewise cited. Fortas has appeared as counsel for a number of Fifth Amendment Communists as well as others identified in sworn testimony as C. P. members.

The next American Humane Association convention will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 31 - November 2nd. Control of one of America's oldest humane organizations will be bitterly contested by both sides. As far as most of the uninformed delegates are concerned it will be a simple issue of continuing present policies and direction of the incumbent administration and Board of Directors or voting in a new slate dedicated, at least so they say, to "revitalizing" and accelerating all aspects of humane work. It will be rather difficult for those few who really know just what is going on to convince a majority of the delegates already in the "reform" camp that they are being bamboozled by certain individuals with ulterior motives which have nothing whatever to do, even remotely, with the advancement of true humane objectives in this country.

COMMUNIST DUPERY HARD TO EXPOSE. Well-meaning and honestly intentioned Americans are extremely loath to suspect or impugn the motives or integrity of others who appear to be just as honestly motivated and loyal Americans as they are themselves. It is precisely this open-hearted and admirable American trust and faith in the innate goodness of others that has provided the wide open breach in our psychological defenses through which a vast and motley array of Communists and other subversionist enemies of America have been able to pour right into the very heart of the Republic. Communists, like the true confidence men that they are, bank very heavily on that human failing that the average person hates to admit he was flim-flammed. The long and appalling story of Communist fronts and dupery in this country is studded with the names of hundreds of thousands of good people whose pride prevented them from admitting they had been taken in by slick Communists after they learned the truth. They preferred to brazen it out, deny that they were suckers, and stick with their Communist seducers.

It will therefore take intelligence, rare courage, and bulldog determination on the part of informed and alert members of the American Humane Association at Grand Rapids to out-manuever and repel the "reform" bloc by convincing a majority of the convention delegates just what the real issues are and what is at stake.

AMERICAN LEGION ROARS DISLIKE OF ~~UNESCO~~ was the Miami Herald's banner headlines last Wednesday when the Legion's convention

by a thunderous voice vote accepted a joint committee report condemning UNESCO. Our 15th Report set forth briefly the history of the controversial Murphy Committee report on UNESCO which the controlled press and radio commentators tried so hard to twist into a stultifying Legion reversal of its original, thrice-repeated, condemnation of UNESCO and all of its works. Here is the inside story of just what happened at Miami last week. The editor of ANR Report was a member of the special joint committee set up to handle the Murphy report as well as twelve resolutions from various states on UNESCO--all unfavorable.

At the suggestion of the National Commander, Seaborn Collins, the convention's Americanism and Foreign Relations Committees met in a joint session to deal with the thorny UNESCO issue. Every state and territory of the United States had two delegates, one from each committee, on the joint committee. The joint committee of one hundred and sixteen delegates in turn set up a special ten man sub-committee to study the Murphy Committee Report and the twelve anti-Unesco resolutions. After hearing both sides for three hours, the special sub-committee retired for a two day closed session to draft a report which the full joint committee could accept, reject, or revise and re-write by majority vote.

The proponents of UNESCO consisted of Chairman Ray Murphy of the Special Committee on the Covenant of Human Rights and United Nations; Past Department Commander of New York, Jacob ARK; and a former Lieut. Governor of Ohio PAUL HERBERT. ARK and HERBERT were both members of Murphy's six man special committee. It was highly significant that Ray Murphy, himself a Past National Commander, could not muster a single one of the twenty-five, living Past National Commanders to come to his aid. Nor did any other Legion V. I. P. s or brass come to his rescue. Two minor State Department officials representing the Department of the District of Columbia and obviously new to Legion affairs spoke briefly in reply to technical questions. The State Department pro-Unesco interests were amply represented by BEN BROWN, DAVE APTER, and TONY MERRILL.

The UNESCO opponents had a slate of nine speakers and were able to put on only six due to time limitations. Dean Manion of Indiana left a statement to be read when the meetings ran beyond his time in Miami. Past National Commander Alvin Owsley of Dallas, General Sumpter Lowrie of Florida, Past National Chaplain Father Duffy, Edgar Bundy of Illinois, and Karl Baarslag from Maryland presented the anti-UNESCO position. Their task was relatively simple as they were merely asking for re-affirmation of the Legion's already established policy against UNESCO. Ray Murphy had also weakened his own case by admitting that his special committee's report was contrary to already established Legion policy against UNESCO.

The sub-committee's findings and four page report was delivered to a tense, closed meeting of the joint committee on Tuesday afternoon. All other Legionnaires, delegates, and the press were excluded. The report consolidated the twelve anti-UNESCO resolutions into a new Res. #355 to be placed before the convention. The report re-iterated the Legion's firm opposition to UNESCO and all of its works. It placed the blame for the deliberate misrepresentation last month of the Legion's position on "certain segments of the press and other means of communications" which tried to create the impression that the Legion last May had adopted the Murphy Committee report.

The resolving clauses, five in number, reaffirmed three separate Legion actions condemning UNESCO -- two by the National Executive Committee and one

by the 1954 National Convention. Secondly, "that the American Legion will not name a delegate to the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO". The third clause urges Congress to repeal all laws setting up the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO. The fourth clause asked Congress to make a complete investigation of UNESCO to determine whether it had or had not complied with the laws that UNESCO "shall not interfere with educational systems or programs within the several nations or their administration".

The final clause was a stinging rebuke to the National Adjutant and others who had suppressed and sequestered a well documented adverse report on UNESCO loaded with TNT. It had been prepared by the Counter Subversive Section of the National Americanism Commission for the exclusive use of the National Executive Committee when that highest policy-making body in the Legion studied the Murphy Committee report. This Americanism Commission report runs well over 125 mimeographed pages and sets forth in detail the front records of no less than eighty-two individuals connected in one way or another with the founding or administration of UNESCO. Twelve were identified in sworn testimony before Congressional committees as Communists. Seven had been connected with Soviet espionage. Eighteen had also been connected with the malodorous INSTITUTE of PACIFIC RELATIONS and six others were dropped from UNESCO payrolls when they refused to appear before U. S. government loyalty boards.

After a short debate and some minor corrections the full joint committee accepted the sub-committee's report by a vote of fifty-five to five. Thus died all hopes of the internationalist-left-liberals that that "Legion would be split wide open" and that the largest veterans organization in the world would reverse itself and now approve UNESCO. The scene now shifted to the crowded convention floor where thousands of restive "bluecaps" (rank and file delegates) were already worked up by rumors of suppressed reports and compromises to save a Past National Commander's face. The overwhelming majority were in no mood for watered down, wishy-washy compromise reports or face-saving devices.

The pro-UNESCO clique tried one final, desperate maneuver. No one knew just when the "hot potato" would reach the convention but an unidentified man and woman appeared out of nowhere with a great stack of Christian Science Monitors less than thirty minutes before the anti-UNESCO resolution was placed before the convention.

They began handing out copies of the September 8th issue which devoted an entire page to a strictly one-sided account of the Legion controversy over the Murphy report. They were not asked for credentials but claimed they came from First Church of Christ Scientist in Denver. As they had no authorization to distribute material in the convention entrance hall they were asked to leave. They did. As the Legion is strictly non-denominational this attempt to influence delegates just before a critical vote through the use of the official journal of a religious group naturally did not create a favorable impression. Inquiry locally at Dallas to the Publications Committee of the Christian Science Church brought out the opinion that neither the Mother Church at Boston nor First Church of Denver could possibly have officially authorized this questionable activity on the part of two unknowns.

The Joint Committee report was read in full to an unusually quiet and attentive convention of some 3400 delegates. Telling points were loudly applauded.

When the reading was completed there was no debate. ---CO proponents sat silent in stunned defeat, realizing full well the utter futility of bring up any floor debate. The roar of several thousand "Ayes" could be heard for a block -- the scattered thirty or forty "Nays" represented the total Legion support for UNESCO. The newsscribes of the internationalist, left-liberal press looked incredulous. Like Hitler they had actually believed their own propaganda that the Legion was "badly split" and that the Miami Convention would reverse previous Legion opposition to UNESCO.

Leftish TV commentators that night either looked sick as they sourly announced the crushing defeat or else blandly blacked out any and all mention of what happened that day at Miami. It just was not "news fit to print". This whole UNESCO fiasco points up once again the danger of believing everything in the controlled press or swallowing the biased and distorted "news commentaries" by the left-liberals, so-called. There never was the slightest danger of the "Legion being split wide open over UNESCO" -- just so much wishful thinking by the one-world brain-washers and professional poisoners of public opinion wells.

State Department one-worlders, college eggheads, and eastern internationalists may plot, predict, and propose what the Legion should do to "attain intellectual maturity" but three million everyday, down to earth and solidly patriotic American Legionnaires will continue to dispose of their own affairs as they have been doing now for thirty-six years. One cannot resist the observation that the eastern intellectual, one world cabal suffers from spiritual incest and intellectual inbreeding. They have been isolated from reality and grass roots Americans so long that they live in a dream one-world all of their own. They simply cannot understand American thinking, and patriotism is a nasty word to be rooted out of the English language. They are as incapable of understanding the Legion, how it works, and what gives it strength as a cockroach is of understanding nuclear physics. Dear readers, that is why the Time, Life, the N. Y. Times, Christian Science Monitor, Nation, New Republic, and the New York, Washington, and Denver Posts went so badly haywire with their predictions on what the American Legion would do about UNESCO.

GUARDPOST FOR FREEDOM published by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Wire Bldg., Washington 5, D.C. devotes most of its September 30th issue to an eight page summary of the stupidity and futility of exchanging delegations with the Soviets. This is one of the best presented and logical exposes of the latest Communist booby trap we have seen. Send for it -- no charge.

Next Issue -- McCall's magazine -- Anti-anti-Communist "Monkey-shines" in the big veterans' organizations -- the latest Congressional committee reports and other communiques from the battlefield against subversion which you will not want to miss.

MAIL ORDER: 100 COPIES OF "ANR REPORT": 4 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00; 50 for \$5.00; 100 for \$10.00; 500 for \$15.00; 1000 for \$25.00. Quotations for larger quantities on request.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-27055)

DATE: 1-16-56

FROM : SAC, Dallas

SUBJECT: KARL BARSLAAG
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Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
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Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

There is forwarded to the Bureau herewith an article appearing in the Dallas Times Herald 1-12-56 advising that KARL BARSLAAG was appointed to the staff of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, having resigned from his position of editor of the American National Research, Inc., P. O. Box 57, Dallas, Texas. Mr. BARSLAAG has advised the Dallas office that his resignation was due to lack of financial support.

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Dallas Man Named to Staff Of U. S. Probers

A Dallas man, Karl Barslaag, 55, was appointed Thursday to the staff of the U. S. House Committee on Un-American Activities, according to an announcement from Washington.

Mr. Barslaag, who recently has been engaged in writing and private research, was a lieutenant commander in the U. S. Navy in World War II and served as naval representative on the combined intelligence objectives group attached to the staff of British Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery.

He served six years as director of the counter-subversive activities group of the Americanization Commission of the American Legion.

Chairman Walter (Dem.) of Pennsylvania, of the congressional committee, also announced the resignation, effective March 31, of Thomas W. Beale, 65, as chief clerk and supervisory officer of the panel. Mr. Beale is widely known in Washington as an expert on subversive activities and will become eligible for a pension based on 16 years' government service.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT


TO : Mr. Tolson



DATE: December 2, 1959


FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

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 Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, called 11-30-59. Captioned individual has approached the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee relative to requesting funds to make a trip to Antwerp, Belgium, next week. Baarslag informed the Senate Committee that the anticommunist elements of Maritime Unions plan to attend the Belgium Central Meeting of the Maritime Unions in Antwerp but afterwards would journey to Brussels for a meeting in order to discuss ways and means in which communist infiltration could be stopped in Maritime Unions. Baarslag desired to go over in the capacity of an informant for the Senate Committee.

 stated that the Committee did not believe that Baarslag could be of any assistance to them, however, they would be glad to issue Baarslag funds in the event the FBI believed valuable information might be procured. I told  I doubted very seriously that we would be interested, particularly in view of Baarslag's background.

After checking with Mr. Belmont, I informed  that we were not interested in the least regarding the Committee paying Baarslag's expenses to Belgium. Baarslag was recently fired from the House Committee on Un-American Activities and before that was dismissed by the National Americanism Commission of The American Legion.


RECOMMENDATION:

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MR. NICHOLS:

Karl Baarslag called 12-13-56 and advised me that the HCUA plans to subpoena Earl Browder [redacted] in early January. Karl thought there might be some questions we might want the Committee to ask these individuals which in turn could possibly be of interest to us in our investigations.

I told Karl we appreciated his thought and I would be in touch with him in the event we wanted to take him up on his offer. He specifically stated that he was not asking for any assistance concerning the background of the individuals in question inasmuch as the Committee had considerable information already at hand.

You will recall that we did an earlier summary on [redacted] when the "black-listing report" was put out by the Fund for the Republic. Baarslag knows [redacted] background thoroughly, of course, but there might be some additional thoughts along the lines of questioning which I should provide Baarslag with on a confidential and informal basis.

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Respectfully,

C. D. DeLoach

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3/20/56

Mr. Nichols:

For your possible interest, Karl Baarslag dropped by the office last night. He usually talks at great length, sometimes re things of interest. His views concerning the smearing of Stalin by the current Soviet Bosses seemed to be very well thought out. Karl stated that through his association with the "wobblies" in the old days he had come to realize that the communists have no respect whatsoever for the dead, even though the deceased be from their own ranks. He thinks the current program is a master stroke of psychology on the part of the Russians. They are disseminating the hogwash that they were deathly afraid of Stalin, they trembled in his presence, Stalin was a madman, they tried to control him and his activities but their hands were tied. Now they are adding to this that Stalin was the butcher of the USSR. They were clean little boys. If they, the current group, can sell this bill of goods through the medium of smearing a dead comrade, then they have used Stalin for a good purpose.

Karl thinks the objective is to split the West. There is no doubt but what a lot of suckers will take the hook. He also thinks that within the next few months

Stalin will be blamed as the boy who put Trotsky out of business.

The only danger in this whole thing is that the current leaders advocate a return to Leninism, while Stalin was more the Nationalist. Leninism advocates the attainment of communist principles through international revolution.

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: March 6, 1962

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: KARL BAARSLAG

Karl Baarslag is currently employed on the staff of the Republican Campaign Committee. This is a group of some 20 employees who write speeches, handle television and radio programs, etc., for Republican Senators. Baarslag is a very close friend of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has been particularly repulsive in his denunciation of the Director and the FBI over our failure to confirm his extravagant statements regarding the infiltration of communists into religion. Last summer he was instrumental in having the Sons of the American Revolution pass a resolution deploring the speeches of Assistant Director Sullivan claiming that Sullivan had not gone far enough in denouncing the infiltration of communism into religion. [REDACTED] has also written disrespectful letters to the Director.

Baarslag called me and wanted to know if he could be put on the Special Mailing List to receive the Director's articles and speeches. I told him he could not, that this was a list restricted to a number of close personal friends of the Director's plus a number of officials in extremely high places. I told him that a number of Republican Senators were already on this list and he undoubtedly could receive material from their offices. Baarslag attempted to be quite blustery and stated he had the responsibility of writing speeches and articles for Senators and, therefore, needed the Director's material. I told him the material was available through other sources as mentioned previously, and that I would not recommend him to be placed on such a list. He then became very friendly and changed his complete attitude.

Knowing that Baarslag [REDACTED] are close friends and that our files reflect that Baarslag, on occasion, has written [REDACTED] making scurrilous remarks about the FBI, I asked him bluntly had he heard from [REDACTED]. He stated that he had not received a letter for several weeks, however, had heard through a good source that [REDACTED] was making more money than any of the other professional anticommunists put together. Baarslag then braggingly told me [REDACTED]

I told Baarslag that I had heard of some [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Baarslag had no comment to make regarding this.

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DeLoach to Mohr 3-6-62
Re: Karl Baarslag

Baarslag once was an employee of The American Legion and was fired for incompetence. He also was fired by the House Committee on Un-American Activities and by a number of other organizations. He is a tactless, repulsive character and certainly cannot be trusted.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/9/63

FROM : SAC, WFO (94-0)

SUBJECT: CHANGED
KARL H. W. BAARSLAG,
Aka Carl Baarslag
FEDERAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY
SERVICE, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
POST OFFICE BOX 931
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

The title is changed to reflect the full name
KARL H. W. BAARSLAG, as reflected in Polk's Silver Spring
City Directory for 1962.

Re Tampa letter to Director dated 4/29/63, and
Bulet to Tampa dated 5/6/63.

Polk's Silver Spring City Directory for 1962 reflects
that KARL H. W. BAARSLAG, a writer, [REDACTED]
resides at 506 Dartmouth Avenue, Silver Spring,
Maryland.

WFO files contain no pertinent information concerning
BAARSLAG in addition to the information summarized in reBulet.

WFO files contain no reference to captioned organi-
zation, Federal Research and Advisory Service.

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FEDERAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D. C., POST OFFICE BOX 331
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Reurlet of 4-29-63.

The Bureau has conducted no investigation concerning Baarslag, born, November 25, 1900, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, but files contain considerable information regarding him. An informant reported in 1941 that Baarslag was a former member of the Communist Party who would be a good source of information regarding the maritime activities of the communists. Another informant has advised the Bureau that he had received information to the effect that Baarslag was a card-carrying member of the Communist Party on the West Coast in 1933 and 1934. Baarslag's alleged Communist Party membership has not been verified by the Bureau.

Prior to World War II, Baarslag was an official in the American Communications Association and was reportedly active in combatting attempts by the communists to infiltrate that organization. He testified before the McCarran Committee in Washington, in May, 1951, concerning communist efforts to control this Association.

In 1947, after his release from the Navy, where he had served with the Office of Naval Intelligence, Baarslag was employed as a Research Specialist for the National Headquarters of The American Legion, in Washington, D. C. He held this job until January, 1953, when he was discharged. He subsequently served briefly as Director of Research for the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, and in 1956, was appointed to the staff of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He was discharged from both of these positions. Baarslag has also been active in publishing newsletters which have furnished alleged information concerning Communist Party activities, and has operated advisory services which have furnished information of this nature on a commercial basis.

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Letter to SAC, Tampa
RE: CARL BAARSLAG

While Baarslag has been cooperative with the Bureau in the past in furnishing information concerning communist matters, he is a professional anticomunist who is considered to be entirely untrustworthy and a person who will go to any lengths to further his own interests; therefore, no cooperation should be afforded him.

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with the Federal Research and Advisory Service, Washington, D. C.

NOTE: SAC, Tampa advised that a Tampa representative of the Wackenhut Corporation has furnished information to the effect that Baarslag, Federal Research and Advisory Service, Washington, D. C., had attended a meeting of the American Society of Industrial Security and offered his organization to perform "name check service" for an annual fee. Tampa requested the Bureau, Baltimore, and WFO furnish background information concerning Baarslag and the Federal Research and Advisory Service. The Wackenhut Corporation is the security and investigative firm organized by former Bureau Agents which operates in several states. SAC letter #62-24 of 4-24-62, instructed all offices to extend no cooperation to this agency inasmuch as it has attempted to capitalize on the former FBI affiliation of its employees and its officials reportedly engage in personal misconduct and questionable business activities.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/29/63

FROM : SAC, TAMPA (94-New)

SUBJECT: ~~CARL BAARSLAG~~
Federal Research and Advisory Service
Washington, D.C., Post Office Box 931,
Blair Station, Silver Spring, Maryland.
RESEARCH MATTER

b7c [REDACTED] has furnished me with the following information regarding captioned individual:

On March 13, 1963, ~~CARL~~ BAARSLAG attended a meeting of the American Society of Industrial Security (ASIS) [REDACTED]

b7c [REDACTED] He indicated he had been in an investigative capacity mostly in the Washington, D.C. area for 22 years and a part of this time served with ONI.

Upon terminating Government service, he set up captioned organization which offers "name check service" to private business and individuals on a fee basis (\$3 to \$4 per name check depending on volume submitted). He offered his service to ASIS for an annual fee of \$4,000. He proposed to remain in his Washington Office one day each week in a consultant capacity; however, if ASIS does not accept his offer, he will close the Washington Office and move all files to Florida. He placed considerable emphasis on the completeness of his files stating that he has 25 different card index systems and bearing all names appearing as signatures on CP nominating petitions, subscribers to CP and other subversive publications, including about 25,000 names that were never set out in public records of the HCUA. He also claims that the files include information compiled during service with ONI. He implied that he was assisting in the Florida Governors Conference on "Cold War Education", Bufile 94-57749.

Tampa files show that BAARSLAG addressed a meeting of "The Marching Men, Inc." (See TPlet 7/29/61) on 5/18/62 wherein he was described as a member of the Staff of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. He also spoke 3/25/63 at the Manatee Co. Citizens Council Meeting, Bradenton, Fla., wherein he was identified as a retired Lt. Commander in the USN with a background in intelligence work (Refer to TP letterhead 3/25/63, Bufile 105-34237).

Bureau, Baltimore, and WFO requested to furnish any info re subject and captioned organization for info of Tampa Office.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/17/63

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (94-394)

SUBJECT: KARL H. W. BAARSLAG,
aka Carl Baarslag
FEDERAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY
SERVICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
POST OFFICE BOX 931
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

Re Tampa letter dated 4/29/63 and WFO letter dated 5/9/63.

A review of the references in the files of this office on the above named person reflects that WFO is in possession of all the information as contained in the Baltimore Office files.

Inasmuch as BAARSLAG's employment is within the Washington, D. C. area and no indication of BAARSLAG having lived in the area covered by the Baltimore Office, no information will be furnished the Tampa Office unless advised to the contrary.

There are no references in the indices of the Baltimore Office concerning captioned organization.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/3/64

FROM : SAC, WFO (62-0)

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SUBJECT: FEDERAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY SERVICE,
SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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WFO indices are negative re FRAS

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[REDACTED] Post Office,
On 12/17/63 [REDACTED] Blair Station, Silver
Spring, Maryland, advised SA [REDACTED] that Box 931 Blair Station,
Silver Spring, Maryland, was obtained on 2/7/61 by
[REDACTED] the Federal Research and Advisory Service.

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[REDACTED] He also stated that FRAS is an organization
engaged in research.

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Records of the Washington, D. C., Credit Bureau,
which were checked on 12/27/63 by SA [REDACTED] revealed no record
for FRAS [REDACTED]

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The 1963 - 1964 Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone
Directory for the Maryland section of the Greater Metropolitan
Area of Washington, D. C., contains no listing for FRAS
[REDACTED]

No additional inquiry re this matter will be made
by WFO and the above is being submitted for info.

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SAC, Washington Field

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FEDERAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY SERVICE
SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND
INFORMATION CONCERNING
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Your attention is directed to Tampa letter to the Bureau 4/29/63 and Bureau letter to Tampa 5/6/63 captioned "Carl Baarslag, Federal Research and Advisory Service, Washington, D. C., Post Office Box 931, Research (Crime Records)" containing background information regarding Baarslag, copies of which were furnished your office and Baltimore. Bulet 5/6/63 discloses that Baarslag has been active in publishing newsletters which have furnished alleged information concerning Communist Party activities and has operated advisory services which have furnished information of this nature on a commercial basis.

Your attention is also directed to Washington Field letter to the Bureau 5/9/63 (copy to Baltimore), captioned "Karl H. W. Baarslag, Federal Research and Advisory Service, Washington, D. C., Post Office, Research (Crime Records)," which discloses that Baarslag reside at 506 Dartmouth Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

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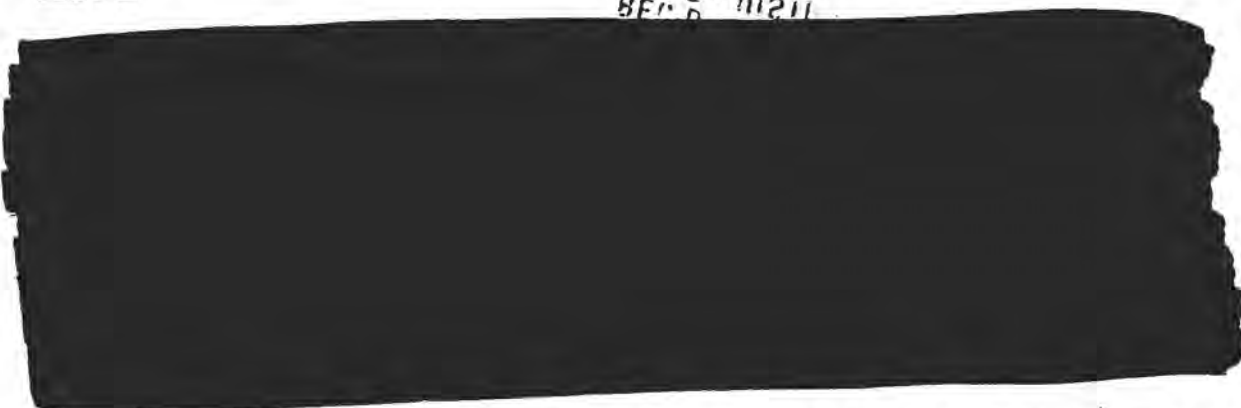
Letter to Washington Field
RE: FEDERAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY SERVICE
SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND
100-27055

For the information of Pittsburgh, Baarslag, although cooperative with the Bureau in the past in furnishing information concerning communist matters, is a professional anti-communist who is considered to be entirely untrustworthy and a person who will go to any lengths to further his own interests.

In view of the foregoing, no further action is to be taken in this matter.

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Tampa's letter to the Bureau, 4-29-63, advised that Baarslag had attended a meeting of the American Society of Industrial Security and offered his organization, FRAS, to perform "name check service" for an annual fee. Tampa requested background information concerning Baarslag and the FRAS.

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1/29/65

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To: SAC, Jacksonville (105-83)

From: Director, FBI

RACIAL CONDITIONS
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA
RACIAL MATTERS

Reurairtel dated 1/26/65.

b7c Bufiles contain no record on [REDACTED] however, Bufiles disclose the following information on Karl Herman William Baarslag, [REDACTED] This individual has never been investigated by the Bureau and has never been an Agent of the FBI.

Karl Herman William Baarslag was born November 25, 1900, Grand Rapids, Michigan. An informant reported in 1941 that Baarslag was a former member of the Communist Party who would be a good source of information regarding the maritime activities of the communists. Another informant has advised the Bureau that he had received information to the effect that Baarslag was a card-carrying member of the Communist Party on the West Coast in 1933 and 1934. Baarslag's alleged Communist Party membership has not been verified by the Bureau.

Prior to World War II, Baarslag was an official in the American Communications Association and was reportedly active in combating attempts by the communists to infiltrate that organization. He testified before the McCarran Committee at Washington, D. C., in May, 1951, concerning communist efforts to control this association.

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**Airtel to SAC, JACKSONVILLE
RE: RACIAL CONDITIONS
ST. JOHN'S COUNTY, FLORIDA**

In 1947, after his release from the Navy where he had served with the Office of Naval Intelligence, Baarslag was employed as a Research Specialist at the National Headquarters of the American Legion in Washington, D. C. He held this position until January, 1953, when he was discharged. He subsequently served briefly as Director of Research for the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations and in 1956, was appointed to the staff of the House Committee on Un-American Activities. He was discharged from both of these positions. Baarslag has also been active in publishing newsletters which have furnished alleged information concerning Communist Party activities and has operated advisory services which have furnished information of this nature on a commercial basis.

While Baarslag has been cooperative in the past in furnishing information to the Bureau concerning communist matters, he is a professional anticommunist who is considered to be entirely untrustworthy and a person who will go to any lengths to further his own interests.

b7c The above is for your information. In the event that [REDACTED] is under the impression that Baarslag is a former Agent of the FBI and you deem it desirable to straighten him out on this point, you may advise him that Baarslag was never employed and never investigated by this Bureau.

NOTE:

b7c [REDACTED] advised that the Florida Legislative Investigating Committee is looking into various aspects of the racial problems at St. Augustine, Florida. [REDACTED] advised that the committee had hired a professional full-time anticommunist, identified as [REDACTED] and thought he was formerly associated with the FBI. Jacksonville advised that their files disclosed throw-away material authored by [REDACTED] a former FBI Agent, calling for continued vigilance against communism. Jacksonville requested the Bureau to furnish identifiable pertinent background of Baarslag. Information in this letter taken from 100-27055-41.